WHEN THE FIGHT BEGINS WITHIN HIMSELF, A MAN'S WORTH SOMETHING.—BROWNING.

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THE EDITOR SAYS—

The Old Testament furnishes the instanceof a man in the street who, maybe during a crop failure or on the verge of bankruptcy, called out of the darkness to the watchman on the tower, and received as an answer to his questioning hail, the assurance that "the morning cometh". In every neighborhood, in every store or factory, in every home, there is a tower of optimism, The person who ascends it at the New Year season will find that the east indeed is alight, and that the morning cometh.

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Many stores have some sort of punch boards where a nickle in the slot give so many marbles. we don't know just what there is to the game but from the way young men and boys crowd around these boards there must be some sport somewhere. Usually women have to side step these boards and the fellows who play them.

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We are very glad to hear that Albert O. Allen, publisher of the New Madrid Record, will be the new postmaster of that city. Once in a while an editor is rewarded for the publicity he gives his community, his state and his nation.

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The editor's family was agreeably surprised Sunday evening by the coming of Miss Catherine Blanton from Washington, D. C. The surprise was complete as she was expected to spend Christmas in that city.

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DON'T LET FIRE TURN CHRISTMAS JOY TO SORROW

There was an atmosphere of Christmas everywhere in the Sanford home, where pretty decorations of quick-burning materials had been used profusely. The gifts had been opened and heaps of paper and tissue had been left near the tree. Sounds festivity filled the house, and in childish glee little Alice donned a paper costume.

Snap! A vicious spark from a short circuit beneath the tree ignited the thin tissue! The flames leaped instantly to Alice's flimsy costume and she ran shrieking from the room. Then people woke up. Uncle Jack stuck out his foot, neatly tripping the child onto a rug into which he rolled her, snuffing out the flames as he protected her face and hair. Dad and Uncle Art reappeared with fire extinguishers that made short work of the fire. But the room was a wreck, Alice had some painful burns and the holiday spirit was considerably dampened.

Nevertheless, heart-felt thanksgiving went up from the Sanfords as they realized what might have happened to their child and home! They were lucky folks, indeed! Every Christmas brings reports of fires that did not end so fortunately. Four lessons are pointed out by the National Board of Fire Underwriters from this incident.

First is the importance of purchasing standard wire, fuses, plugs, sockets and sets of Christmas tree lights—that is, those bearing the approval label of Underwriters' Laboratories. In addition, have all extra wiring done by a licensed electrician, detach appliances when not in use and don't hang wires over nails.

Second is the folly of using inflammable decorations for trees and rooms. (Incombustible decorations are now on sale.) All paper and tissue wrappings from packages should also be disposed of at once.

The last two lessons stand to the credit of the Sanfords: They used the correct method of putting out flames in clothing and they kept fire extinguishers handy. When clothing catches fire, the person should never run, but always get down on the floor and roll in a rug or blanket, holding it tight about the neck to protect the face. Fire extinguishers many times will stop a fire before it gets dangerous.

Still other essential precautions are:

Instruct children carefully in the use of toys, especially electrical ones. Avoid toys requiring an alcohol or kerosene lamp. Flimsy motion picture machines should be avoided, as children may borrow or rent inflammable film and attempt to use it.

Smoking: In rooms decorated for the holidays and where excited children are playing, smoking is apt to be dangerous. Considerate smokers will use another room.

Candles: Never use lighted candles for decorations. They are especially hazardous on trees, and on window sills where curtains may be blown against them.

Trees: Set trees up securely and at some distance from lighting and heating fixtures. A new type of stand, which holds the butts in water, keeps trees greener. Otherwise, the heat of a house dries out a tree and soon makes it a real hazard. A good precaution is to take down the tree and dispose of it a few days after Christmas.

Santa Claus: Don't let old Kris Kringle himself be a fire hazard. Oftentimes his costume or "whiskers" would burn furiously if accidentally ignited. This would hardly be fair to the old gentleman. Costume and cotton beard can be made safer if sprayed with a solution of water-glass, which is obtainable at all drug stores.

Miss Daisy Gardner will spend the Christmas holidays in St. Louis. Se expects to return the latter part of the week. The millinery shop will be open in the afternoons during her absence.

Three Semo Men Valuable Players at Murray State

Previously giving three varsity members to the Murray State College Thoroughbred team, Morley, is now represented on the Murray team by Clint Bugg, varsity tackle. In 1929 John Miller, Jim Miller, and Hugh May, residents of Morley, were members of the varsity team at Murray State College.

Clint is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bugg, of Morley.

Attending high school in Morley, he played for four years with the team which in 1929 won the football championship in Scott county. Besides his activity in football, Mr. Bugg also starred with the track team.

Clint entered Murray State College in 1931 and played tackle on the undefeated and unscored fresh eleven of that year. In 1933 he was a regular on the untied and undefeated Thoroughbred eleven which won the S.I.A.A. championship. This year the Thoroughbreds have played and won more games than any other team in the S.I.A.A. conference. They were the highest scoring team in the S.I.A.A. this year.

Clint is majoring in education and planning to teach and coach after leaving college. He will graduate with the class of 1935.

In July 1934, Mr. Bugg married Miss Ellen Roberts, of Murray, Ky., and became the seventh of the eleven married Thoroughbreds. Mr. and Mrs. Bugg are living in quarters adjoining the campus while Clint is in school.

"I've enjoyed playing football this season at Murray College more than any other season I have played," says Lester King, senior at Murray State College, from Matthews.

"My increased enjoyment has been due to the changing of positions from fullback to an end position," he continued.

King's home is in Matthews, where he graduated from high school. He played quarterback for three years on the Matthews high school football team. In his last year he was captain of the team.

Lester was fullback on the Murray Frosh eleven and for the next two years played the same position on the varsity team. This year he has made the Thoroughbreds ones of the best end-men that Murray has ever boasted.

King is also active in extra-curricular activities other than sports. He is a member of the Physical Education club, Varsity "M" club, and president of the Cosmopolitan club.

Woodrow "Pedro" Simmons, senior at Murray State College, is undoubtedly one of the best ends that ever donned a football uniform for the Murray State Thoroughbreds.

Woodrow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons, of Charleston. While at student in Charleston high school he made an unusual record as an athlete. In 1930 "Pedro" was mentioned on the mythical All-Missouri State eleven. He was also an outstanging member of the basketball and track teams. He graduated from Charleston high school in 1931.

By 1933 he was a regular end on the undefeated and untied Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship Thoroughbred team. For his outstanding playing, both defensive and offensive he was named on the Mythical All-State S.I.A.A. eleven and given honorable mention on the All-S.I.A.A. that year.

In 1934 he was a member of the highest scoreing team in the conference.

Since entering college, Simmons, has played four years as a regular at the end position. During this time he has scored a total of 81 points.

He is president of the Varsity "M" Club, and a member of the Allenian Society. Simmons expects to graduate in June with a major in physical education.

One of "Pedro's" school mates, Leonard "Cutter" Bryant, Charleston, was an outstanding player during his four years at college. He was captain of the championship S. I. A. A. team in 1933.

MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

If Thomas Jefferson gave to the United States its ideal of scientific agriculture, as has been asserted, then William Henry Hatch, adopted son of Missouri has probably done more than any other man to make that ideal an actuality. For, by the passage on Mar. 2, 1887, of the act which bears his name, Hatch became the father of the present system of scientific agricultural experiment stations in the United States—a distinction which merits him the tribute of placement by the side of Jefferson in service to American Agriculture.

William Henry Hatch, father the agricultural experiment stations, was born in Georgetown, Kentucky, September 11, 1833, of pioneer Kentucky ancestry. Reared in moderate circumstances, and a self-made man, he was none the less a son of Kentucky's royal blood. In 1845, after completing his education in Lexington, he was admitted to the Kentucky bar. The following year he moved to Missouri where he became a leading citizen and practicing lawyer of Hannibal. After serving in the Confederacy during the Civil War, he resumed his legal practice in Hannibal, and, in 1878, ran the Democratic race for Congress as candidate from the first Missouri district. Elected and re-elected seven successive times, Hatch entered upon a sixteen year period of distinguished service to the agricultural interests of his State and nation.

A man of magnificient bearing, always courteous and pleasant, and an orator of force and power, Hatch soon gained a leading position in Congress where he became identified with the agricultural interests. For many years he was chairman of the agricultural committee. An ardent supporter of all legislation looking to the upbuilding of the Department of Agriculture, he was influential in making the head of that department a cabinet officer. Through his leadership, Congress created the bureau of animal industry in 1884 passed the first oleomargerinne act of 1886, the meat inspection act of 1890, a bill for the prevention of the spread of infectious and contagious diseases of domestic animals, and approximately fifty other acts of far-reaching importance the the agricultural interests of the United States. The greatest bill sponsored by Hatch, however, is the Hatch Act of 1887, which created the first really national system of agricultural experiment stations in the world.

By the famous Hatch Act and the complementary Adams and Purnell bills of 1906 and 1925, the United States now appropriates $90,000 annually to each state and territory for the maintenance of scientific agricultural experiment stations to be operated in connection with the state agricultural colleges. These stations promote scientific investigation and conduct original experiments under actual farming conditions in the various phases of agriculture such as field crops, horticulture, animal husbandry, plant pathology, economic entomology, soils and fertilizers, agricultural economics, agricultural engineering, veterinary science, genetics, home economics, darying and forestry. Discoveries made by one station of interest to others are exchanged and experiments are frequently conducted in cooperation with private, state and national agencies. The results of the investigations are published individually by the states themselves and collectively by the United States Department of Agriculture in the annual publication known as the EXPERIMENT STATION RECORD. Thus the benefits of the experimental work are both national and local in scope. The results of the experiments finally become a vital part of the agricultural life of the nation, and no farmer is so remote that he is not benefited by the experiment stations and their work. While costing the United States millions of dollars, the stations have meant added hundreds of millions to the farmers of the individual states and territories, thereby proving not the cost of scientific agriculture, but its worth.

In 1894, after his defeat by the Republican landslide of that year and his retirement from the house, Hatch served as president of the National Dairy Union, and in this capacity, continued his fight for pure dairy products.

When not engaged in public life, Colonel Hatch spent his time at "Strawberry Hill", his finely improved farm of one hundred and sixteen acres just outside of Hannibal, where he took a deep interest in breeding fine herds of Jersey cattle, flocks of Southdown sheep, and strings of purebred Kentucky trotting horses. Here he died December 23, 1896.

Fitting memorials have been made to Hatch. In 1915 his friends erected the splendid statue of him which now stands in the city park in Hannibal. In 1923 his daughter, Sarah Rhodes Hatch, on her death, Bequeathed "Strawberry Hill" to the State of Missouri in memory of her father. The farm is now called the Hatch dairy experiment station and is operated jointly by the dairy husbandry department of the college of agriculture, University of Missouri, and the bureau of Dairy industry, United States department of agriculture. It stands as a most appropriate tribute of the "father of agricultural experiment stations."

NEW DODGE OF IMPRESSIVE BEAUTY

Detailed announcement of the 1935 Dodge line, widely awaited because of pre-season rumors crediting the new models with important innovations, will prove interesting reading because the manufacturers, not content with keeping abreast of prevailing trends, offer several unexpectd features.

It is apparent that Dodge body stylists have outdone themselves in creating a series of bodies to which streamlining has been applied with eye-filling and ractical beauty. The student of mechanical development also finds many interesting points designed to invest motoring with still greater comforts and, in a variety of ways, with still greater safety and economy.

New Engine and Chassis Features

The thoroughness with which Dodge engnieers have gone about their task may be gathered from a partial list of 1935 Dodge details. Aside from completely redesigned bodies, these include a Dodge high-compression Red Ram engine, a new and interesting "synchromatic" front suspension, a ventilated clutch, a synchro-shift transmission, further improved hydraulic brakes, and a number of engine and chassis features through which certain control functions, formerly the duty of the driver, are now performed automatically

In the body interiors, made more comfortable by a perfected, clear-vision ventilation system, Dodge designers have evolved new heights of convenience. There is an almost lavish display of leg and elbow space and, in the way of appointments, about everything the exacting buyer might expect.

In dimensions, the bodies of 1935 Dodge models are considerably wider; there is more space between floor and roof, though the car's overall height is not increased. The fact that no filler-apron bridges body and running boards not only gives the body sides a pleasing aspect of tailored smoothness, but makes it possible to lower the car floors nearly 4 inches without sacrifice of road clearance.

"Synchromatic" Springing Explained

Of strongly outstanding interest is the Dodge "synchromatic" front wheel action which, because of its unusual construction, will attract much attention. The suspension incorporates a rigid front axle; double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers and a rubber-cushioned specially soft, thin-leaf springs; synchronizing mechanism called the Dodge "ride levelator."

The effectiveness of the design, according to Dodge engineers, is further assured by a redistribution of the car's spring-supported weight, a process in which the power plant is placed 8 inches further forward, while the sedan rear seats, formerly above the rear axle, are moved forward 6 inches so that all passengers now ride cradled between the axles.

The action of the Dodge levelator does away with the tendency of the car to sway or roll and makes possible the use of very flexible front springs. As the front wheel on one side passes over an obstruction, the soft spring on that side compresses. The swaying motion of the body that would result is promptly counteracted by the is and there is no actual metal-to-to both sides of the car frame, causes disturbances occurring to one wheel, to be "leveled out" not merely by the spring action on the affected side but by the combined spring action, rubber-cushioned "levelator" action and shock absorber action—on both sides. The net effect is said to be an ideally soft ride—the Dodge "Airglide" ride—and the fact that neither up and down movement of the front wheel nor the tendency of the body to roll in turning curves causes the chassis frame to assume an unpleasant noticeable tilt.

The flat-leaf springs differ from conventional construction in several ways. The alloy steel of which they are fashioned was specially developed for the purpose. The ends of the leaves are tapered. The deflection rate, which with ordinary springs would be about 250 lbs, per inch, is only 115 lbs., making the car's front and rear springs of about equal resiliency.

The spring eyes — ordinarily formed by the topmost leaf—are in the now Dodge, formed by the two upper leaves. To permit the necessary motion for the second leaf, it has a section removed from its center. The place of the cut-out section is taken by a spacer. The arrangement gives the spring proper resistance to steering and braking stresses and provides the flexibility that is a characteristic of the "levelator"—controlled synchromatic suspension.

Unusual Steering Mechanism

The steering mechanism of the new Dodge also is unusual; it is the Dodge cross-steering method in which the Pitman arm moves crosswise instead of lengthwise with the chassis frame, as is the case with ordinary steering. This construction contributes materially to steernig ease and makes it impossible for road shocks to be communicated to the steering wheel.

The patented floating power engine mountings—which have been a Dodge feature for several years —are in the 1935 models, with a simplified front mount and relocated rear supports. At the points where it approaches the chassis frame, the power plant is cushioned on rubber bonded to steel bases in such a manner that the engine rocks about its natural axis and there is no ctual metal-to-metal supporting contact between engine and chassis frame. Vibration is thus completely smothered before it reaches the body or frame.

87 H. P. With High Compression

Having a bore of 3 1-4 inches and a stroke of 4 3-8 inches, the Dodge Red Ram engine delivers 87 horsepower, with a standard 6.5 compression head. An engine detail worthy of mention is the shaping of the cylinder-head combustion space which, giving the incoming fuel mixture increased turbulence, contributes materially to complete conversion of the gasoline into power.

Exhaust valve seats of special heat-resisting alloy steel, introduced by Dodge in 1933, are also used this year. However, for 1935 Dodge provides still another innovation designed to lengthen the life of exhaust valves. The improvement takes the form of spray cooling of the exhaust valve seats through a steel tube extending through the cylinder block. This tube has openings from which water is kept playing against the cylinder side of the exhaust valve seats.

As the exhaust-valve spray-cooling tube is directly connected to the water pump, cool water is delivered through holes in the tube and sprayed on the six hot exhaust valve seats.

The engine cooling system has been further improved by extending the water jackets downward the full length of the cylinder barrels. The modified water jacketing is regarded as important because it results in uniform cooling of the cylinder bores. This uniform cooling of the cylinder bores together with the spray cooling of the exhaust valve seats results in uniform expansion of the cylinder bores when the engine is operating at high speed and very hot. The bores remain cylindrical and there is a marked reduction in the consumption of oil.

The engine crankshaft has seven balancing weights for reducing bearing loads. In addition, an impulse neutralizer is mounted on the forward end of the crankshaft. The valve cam faces of the Dodge Red Ram engine are designed for tappet adjustment is very infrequent because of the use of valve seat inserts, which do not permit the valves to pound into the cylinder block.

The aluminum alloy pistons are of an improved steel-strut, controlled-expansion type giving an effective compression sea regardless of whether the engine is hot or cold. Four piston rings are provided, two upper compression rings and two lower oil control rings; the latter function as scrapers which pick up surplus lubricant and pass it, through openings in the piston skirt, back into the main oil reservoir.

Dodge Clutch Ventilated

Engine lubrication is by forced feed. In being raised from the crankcase reservoir the oil, pumped through an oil manifold running through the cylinder block, enters passages drillel through the cylinder block. Through these shock-proof leads the lubricant is forced to main, camshaft and connecting rod bearings and to the timing-drive chain. All oil, before entering the pump housing is screened; in returning to the base reservoir it is drawn through an outside mounted oil purifier.

A noteworthy detail of the Dodge clutch is a cushioned hub in which spiral compression springs absorb the shocks arising mission. The clutch housing is ventilated and the operation of the clutch itself has been made so easy that a foot pressure of only 26 pounds' and an exceedingly short pedal movement will disconnect the engine from the transmission.

Dodge brakes are of the time-tested hydraulic type which the company's engineers regard as most dependable because they act with equal effect on all four wheels and do not require periodical adjustment. The 10-inch brake drums are of a composite, built-up type combining a cast-iron braking ring with a steel back. The braking ring has air-cooling ribs. The braking surface or contact area of the brakes has been increased 20 percent in the 1935 Dodge.

In addition to the pedal-operated hydraulic service brakes, the new Dodge is equipped with a separate, powerful propeller-shaft type parking brake.

Many Automatic Controls

Dodge engineers have exerted themselves considerably to make the operation of the 1935 models as free as possible from the manipulations that heretofore called for judgment and experience on the part of the driver.

The choke button, for instance, is no more. The choking of the carbureator intake passage prior to starting is now done by an automatic device working part thermostatically and part electrically.

The setting of the ignition spark formerly largely a matter of guesswork, also has been made automatic, in two ways—by a centrifugal governor and by a special vacuum spark control.

The precise amount of heat to be applied to the fuel mixture is doled out, automatically, by a thermostatically-operated carbureator heat control.

The engine temperature is kept under constant check by a thermostat incorporated in the water circulating system.

The synchro-silent transmission is designed to cause the gears to be meshed when turning at the same speed, an arrangement making speed changes noeiesslasdnhm ing speed changes noiseless and safe.

More and Better Ventilation

been given to the matter of ven-

More than ordinary care has tilation, the body interior not being the only place to receive attention. The windows are so arranged that an initial turning of the front door crank creates a crescent-shaped opening in the upper forward corner of the window. As this opening is situated behind the substantial shoulder of the window frame, the oncoming air stream, in passing over the edge of the frame, creates a suction that draws the air from the car interior. The adjustable windshield is another feature of the Dodge perfected clear-vision ventilation system.

The cowl section of the body is additionally ventilated through a screen-guarded ventilator. Hood ventilaton is automatic, through highly decorative louvers. Further ventilation of the under-hood engine compartment is provided through auxiliary louvers in the lower inner side of the fender aprons, below the so-called "catwalk" bridging the space between the curved fender portion and the engine hood. The enging crankcase is ventilated through a steel tube around the muzzle of which a partial vacuum is created by the motion of the car. The clutch has provisions for ventilating and air-cooling it. The current generator is both ventilated and air-cooled. Even the gasoline line is now air cooled.

Eight Body Types are Offered

Interesting auxiliary features of the new Dodge line for 1935 include a new lighting system in which last year's asymetric head light beams are supplanted by a light pattern formed by parallel beams of maximum legal intensity The headlamps use one double-filament bulb and one parking light bulb.

The lighting of the dash instruments is direct, through two tubular lamps that light on being slightly withdrawn and may be rotated to project their beams in different directions.

Eight body models are offered on the new Dodge chassis: They are: Two coupes, one with and the other without rumble seat—one exquisitely leather - upholstered convertible coupe—2-door and 4-door sedans—2-door touring and 4-(with trunk)—4-door touring sedan (with trunk). Fender wells for the side mounting of spare tires are provided if desired.

Mrs. I. H. Dunaway is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Horace Payne, in Kansas City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth and family of Cape Girardeau will be guests at the L. O. Rodes home, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brady and son, Sam, from Indianapolis are guests of Mrs. Mary Griffith and family.

Chicago has decreased in population 117,820 during the last four years. However, since Dillinger, Capone and that bunch of gangsters are gone it now has hopes of regaining its losses.

The erection of the $15,000 granite memorial to the late William Joel Stone, former governor and senator, is almost completed at Nevada. The statue has been placed on its granite block and the dedication will take place in May.

CCC CAMP BOYS TO REPORT AT BENTON

Scott county's quota of 14 white men CCC Company Co. 726 to be stationed near Greenville, Mo., are notified to report at the Court House in Benton, Wednesday, January 2, at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon, in order that they may be transported to the camp assigned them. Failure to be on hand at the designated time and place will probably forfeit their appointment.

Scott County Extension Board Organized Dec. 20

The Scott County Extension Board was organized at Benton Thursday, December 20, by the Scott County Farm Bureau, the Scott County Corn-Hog Control Association, the Scott County Wheat Association, and the Scott County Cotton Association. These four groups combine for support and supervision of the county agent's office as a local cooperating group for the year 1935. In the past the Farm Bureau has been responsible for cooperating with the University for extension work in Scott County but due to the fact that the nature of the work in the County Agent's office has been radically changed in the last year, the Control Associations joined in with the Farm Bureau in being responsible for its support and continuance. Five representatives of these Associations were selected to form the Extension Board. Mr. Carl O. Luper was elected chairman, while the Associations elected Mr. Evin Burke as secretary and Mr. Arthur Schiwitz as treasurer with Mr. Simon P. Bollinger and R. Q. Black as representatives at large as the two additional members of the board.

The program of work was outlined and approved for the extension office and County agent for 1935 which showed that the actual working days for the County Agent on straight project work alone would be approximately 369 days which is more working days than there are in the year for the County Agent but due to the fact that he will be allowed an assistant agent it means that the assistant will, of necessity, take a part of this work in place of the County Agent. The greater part of the work will rest with the A. A. A. programs on corn-hog, wheat, cotton, and the administration of the Bankhead Act. In the regular line of extension work it was agreed that there should be several 4-H clubs organized, that the women's clubs be continued and that the county agent assist in home garden work and encourage more farmers to use better seed on corn, wheat,oats and cotton.

Campaign will be started the first of January to give farmers an opportunity to sign reduction contracts on corn-hog for 1935 and in general the program will require the same amount and type of work as used in 1934 with probably another referendum held in the fall of 1935 similar to the one held the past year.

Wheat compliance work will strat in January this year in order that wheat fields will be measured in advance of harvest time In addition the wheat contracts this year will expire and there held next fall and another campaign for signing new contracts will probably be a referendum in September.

There will be supplementary sign-up on cotton beginning the first of the year for those who did not sign last spring and then the contracts which are now in existance will expire next year. Probably another referendum will be held and preparations for continuing the contracts as soon as they expire.

The Bankhead act will be continued on through 1935 and again the same amount of work will be required to handle it as was used in 1934. Mr. W. Sayers Tanner, Assistant in Cotton Adjustment in the County Agent's office was reemployed for the year 1935 and his office will remain open.

Midland Yellow Dent seed corn was grown by three farmers in Scott County this year, namely Roy Johnson of Sikeston, Louis Dohogue of Chaffee, and R. Q. Black of Oran. This variety of corn apparently is the outstanding yellow corn for this area and it is contemplated that more farmers will be encouraged to use this certified seed which they have in order to get it better established. Several farmers in Scott County are growing Michigan Wonder seed wheat which, according to the results of the Sikeston Substation, is the better wheat and it is hoped that those growers who have it this year will be able to distribute it to other farmers in Scott County.

Stoneville No. 1 cotton and also Stoneville No. 5 have made an excellent accounting of themselves in Scott County but there is being developed another strain of D.P.L. No. 10 which will certainly be a strong contender with the Stoneville for the better cotton in Scott County although it is a varied soil there will be a place in our agriculture for each of them.

Law Demanding Sale of Tax Delinquent Property Held Valid

JEFFERSON CITY, December 22—The constitutionality of the Jones-Munger law which requires the sale of County Collectors of all realty on which taxes are delinquent, was upheld this afternoon by the State Supreme Court en banc.

In holding the law valid, the court made absolute a writ of prohibition to restrain Judge Arthur H. Bader of the St. Louis Circuit Court from assuming jurisdiction in a friendly tax suit filed by Edmond Koeln, City Collector, under the old procedure. The test case was instituted by Otto F. Karbe, a St. Louis attorney.

In filing the tax foreclosure suit under the old law, Koeln contended that another delinquent tax law also passed by the 1933 session of the Legislature, took precedent over the Jones-Munger act, which became effective July 24, 1933.

Judge C. A. Leedy, Jr., who wrote the opinion, ruled that the other law, in effect, was "nugatory." The other members of the court concurred in the opinion, although Judge Ernest S. Gantt concurred only in the result.

Under the Jones-Munger law, the collectors have the opinion of selling all property on which taxes are delinquent, or only the realty on which taxes have been delinquent for five years. The sales must be held by the first Monday in November each year, after the property has been advertised for sale in a newspaper.

State Auditor Forrest Smith recently estimated that there is about $25,000,000 in delinquencies, on the county tax books of the state.

The chief difference between the Jones-Munger law and the preceding delinquent tax law is that the Collectors no longer have to file foreclosure suits to sell property for delinquencies, but can hold the sales after advertising them in a newspaper for three consecutive weeks, the last insertion being at least 15 days before the first Monday in November of each year.

BAPTIST PLAY PRESENTED TO PACKED HOUSE SUNDAY

"The Bethlehem Inn", a play given in connection with the White Christmas service held at the local Baptist church Sunday evening, was presented to a packed house, and many were turned away because of lack of standing room.

The play, itself, was proclaimed entirely successful by all who witnessed the excellent performance of the characters taking part.

The scene of the play was laid on a village street in Old Bethlehem as it might have appeared 2000 years ago, with an Inn, a stable and an old rustic well to complete the scenery. The time was a day 2000 years ago at the time of year when all Jews were ordered, by commandment of Augustus, to go to the city of their fathers to be enrolled for taxation, among whom were Joseph and Mary. When Joseph and Mary are turned away from the Inn by the Roman Innkeeper, Sulla, they are offered the hospitality of the poor Jephtthah, the Jewish stable boy who offers to let Mary sleep in his place in the stable. It is there at eventide that the baby Jesus is born. Hannah, a blind beggar maid receives her sight and the shepherds and wise men pay hommage to the new born king.

The play was preceded by a vocal duet, "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem", by Misses Virginia Martin and Neva Mae Taylor, which was very beautiful. Then followed a prelude to the play, with Miss Lela Stacy as the Spirit of Christmas paving the way for the play. Following the play Miss Stacy again took charge by giving an opportunity to all who wished to give material gifts or to lay themselves upon the altar of service during the coming years.

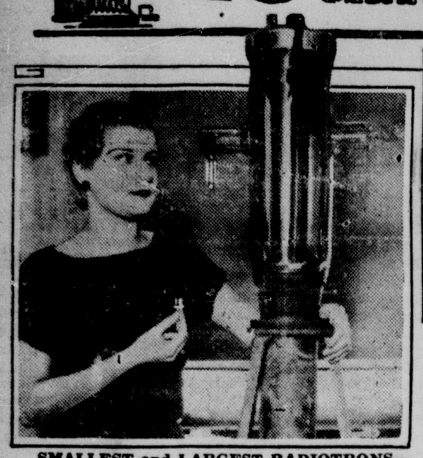
CONYERS-HANS

Miss Hazel B. Hans of Cape Girardeau and Verlond D. Conyers were united in marriage at the local Methodist church Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock, with Rev. E. H. Orear, pastor of the local church officiating. Quite a number of friends and relatives were present to witness the ceremony. Mr. Conyers is employed in a Kroger store in Cape Girardeau, where the young couple will make their home.

Sikeston Standard, $2.00 a year

Christmas Greetings and Sincere Good Wishes for a Successful and Happy New Year to All. - DERRIS DRUG STORE.

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SMALLEST and LARGEST RADIOTRONS—Miss Marion Muir holding a new "acorn" type radio tube which was designed for amateur and experimental use in ultra short-wave reception and transmission, beside the largest transmitting tube in use.



AFTER BULLETS ENDED PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1 — Police officers beside the body of Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, notorious gunman and desperado, after it was brought to the East Liverpool, Ohio, morgue.



A KICKER WHO HAS NO KICK COMING—News that she is heir to more than $1,000,000 probably makes Miss Eliska Balatkova, Chicago chorus girl, the richest chorus girl in the world. She intends to remain a chorine.



CAPITALIST PRAISES LABOR—Col. Wood F. Axton, president of the Axton-Fisher Tobacco Co., a leading speaker at the American Federation of Labor Convention, endorses shorter hour program. William Green, labor president, at left, presided at the meeting.

LEADS NATION—Bill Shepherd of Western Maryland who tops football scorers — with 3 goals; 8 touchdowns; and 9 points after touchdowns—total of 57 points.



BAD OLD PIN Can't Hurt Her Tummy Now! — A safety pin swallowed by little Veronica Sullivan, of Boston, was lodged with its point open in her stomach. Dr T. W. Wickham performed a delicate operation and closed the pin.



DISTILLER URGES TEMPERANCE— H. I. Peffer, chairman of the Board of Seagram's, signing the statement which started a nation-wide newspaper advertising drive for moderation. Scores of telegrams from leaders all over the country are giving instantaneous support to this bold stroke.

NEW CARSON & RIGHTER TRUCK TERMINAL TO BE COMPLETED FEBRUARY 1

The large, solid truck terminal which is now being constructed for Carson & Righter on Highway 61 at Gladys street will probably be finished by Femruary 1, according to W. L. Righter. The work of pouring concrete for the foundation blocks is already completed.

The structure, to face east toward the highway, will be eighty feet long and thirty feet wide and will be fitted with a fifty-foot loading dock. In the north part of the terminal will be located an office fifteen by thirty feet.

The middle part of the building will be devoted to a storage room and quarters for drivers, each fifteen by fifteen feet. On the extreme south end a forty by thirty-six foot garage and washing and greasing rack will be paced.

Before the terminal, which is being built on the extreme west end of the lot, workmen have constructed a concrete approach 155 feet long and 15 feet wide to adjoin the Highway 61 pavement. Between the concrete and the terminal structure, they will spread gravel. Gasoline pumps for use by Carson & Righter truck drivers will be placed before the building.

When officials of the truck concern planned early last fall to construct a new terminal, residents of the southeast part of town complained by signing a petition, which was presented to city councilmen. Councilmen declined to favor the petitioners, however, and voted to allow construction of a terminal.

Preliminary work was halted on October 24 when the residents, represented by Virgil Williams as plaintiff, were granted a temporary injunction against the firm on the grounds that the terminal's presence would create a nuisance in the neighborhood.

Judge Frank Kelly ruled in favor of the defendants, however, when the case was presented during the November term of the Scott county circuit court.

A need for new and larger quarters for Carson & Righter, who have been located on Prosperity street four years, has been urgent for some time.

NEW LICENSE PLATES TO GO ON SALE JANUARY 1

New 1935 automobile license plates will go on sale January 1—a month earlier this year in Missouri than ever before.

Under the new law passed by the special session of the legislature last winter the beginning of the new license year was moved forward from February 1 to January 1. This change was made to bring Missouri regulations into line with other states, a large majority of which have been on a calendar year basis for years.

At the same time that the license date was changed, the legislature reduced the state license fees on cars in the lower brackets and the following is the schedule for state licenses for 1935 plates.

Less than 12 h.p.	$ 5.00
12 to 24 h.p.	8.50
More than 24 to 36 h. p.	11.00
More than 36 to 48 h. p.	20.00
More than 48 to 60 h.p.	25.00

Plates for 1934 were sold for one-twelfth less than the above schedule. This adjustment was necessary because the 1934 license year covered but 11 months, from February 1 to December 31. Therefore in 1935 the full amount of the new schedule will be collected for the first time—Motor News.

CARUTHERSVILLE COTTON TOTALS 56,664 THIS YEAR

The Caruthersville Compress continues to receive cotton in substantial quantities.

Receipts last week were 1,508 bales, bringing the total since August 1st to 57,664 bales, according to the weekly report of the Arkansas Cotton Trade Association.

Blytheville led the state of Arkansas with 107,171 bales.

Receipts last week and for the season at the three southeast Missouri compresses follow:

Caruthersville, for the week 1,508; for the season, 57,664.

Hayti for the week, 252; for the season 24,978.

Portageville for the week, 785; for the season 44,857.—Caruthersville Republican.

RICHARD GRIGGS

Funeral services for Richard Griggs, 30 years old, who died of lobar pneumonia at Cookeville, Tenn., Friday, were conducted at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home of a friend, Mrs. Tarwater, on Fletcher avenue. The Rev. Thomas Sailors officiated at the services. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Griggs is survived by three brothers, Thomas, Jesse, and James Griggs. Dempster service.

Imagine the confusion of a society editor in Tulsa having to write something like this: "The dinner dance that was to have been given last night by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Winterbottom for their son, Horace, Jr., has been cancelled due to the absence of Mr. Horace Winterbottom, Jr., who is a guest in the county jail in connection with the recent murder ceremonies for Mr. Snooks Spackler, who until his lamentable death, was also a member of the younger social set."—Arch Jarrell in Arkansas City Traveler.

Happiness and Prosperity During 1935 Is Our Wish For You

On behalf of the management, myself and the employees of the local office of this great Railway System, we desire to express our appreciation, both to the Sikeston Shippers and Passengers, for the large volume of business you have given us during 1934, and to assure you that in return for a continuance of this patronage during 1935 we will give you the best service possible

J. E. ROBINSON, Sikeston Agent

MISSOURI PACIFIC LINES

A. L. WALLER, C. W. ELLIOTT, CLYDE PHELPS



Wishing you much joy on Christmas



MAY YOU LOOK FOR AND SEE THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE

May the joy of this happy yuletide inspire you to continue as the days go by to look for the BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE and as you look for it WE HOPE you CAN SEE IT in all its genuine reality, bringing you those things you have longed for during the years past.

We want to thank each and every one for patronage, large or small and to kindly ask that you consider us for your need in our line during the coming year.

WOODS DAIRY

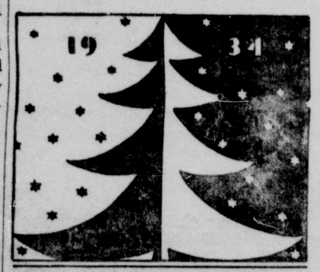


We extend the SEASON'S GREETINGS to all our friends and customers, and wish for them Happiness during 1935

Becker's

GORDON HOSIERY

Will Make the Pathway of Life Easier During 1935



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Is the Wish oO the Personnel Of

HOME OIL CO.

Owned by Sikeston Men



May the Highways of 1935 Be Smooth and Free of Accidents for you is our wish

BOB RAFFERTY

Distributors of CONOCO PRODUCTS

CONOCO



With Heartiest Greetings 1934

Ring out good cheer, health, wealth and happiness; that will resound all through 1935.

JOHN G. POWELL

INSURANCE LOANS BONDS

GREETINGS

Christmas
Is One
of the
Rare Moments

In life when one forgets the daily routine and the cares of the business world.

It's the one day that plucks at your heartstrings and makes us thoughtful and appreciative.

So, we can't let this Christmas slip by without telling you how grateful we are to you for all you have done for us.

And after the Holidays are over we want you to know that we are going to work with but one thought in mind--the conviction that a satisfied customer is worth a dozen prospective ones.

That your Christmas may be a merry one and 1935 the most prosperous year you've ever experienced is the

Sincere wish of

THE SIMPSON OIL CO.

The Eyes Have It

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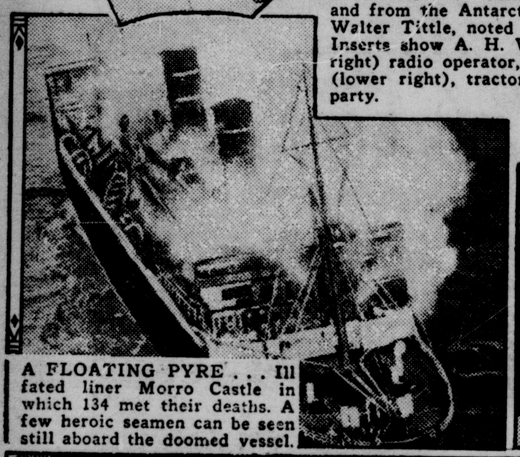






FOLLOWERS of Admiral Byrd's recent timely relief at his solitary hut 123 miles south of Little America now can obtain sepia reproductions of this new etching of the Expedition's leader, left. Announcements of the offer are made during the regular Wednesday night broadcasts over Columbia network, to and from the Antarctic. Etching is by Walter Tittle, noted New York artist. Inserts show A. H. Waite, Jr., (upper right) radio operator, and Pete Demas, (lower right), tractor driver of relief party.

FAMOUS ACE SLEUTH, Samuel P. Cowley, special Federal Agent assigned to the Dillinger case, who tells the first inside story of the death of the famous outlaw in the October issue of American Detective Magazine. According to Agent Cowley every step down to the actual death of Dillinger was directed by telephone from Washington by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice.



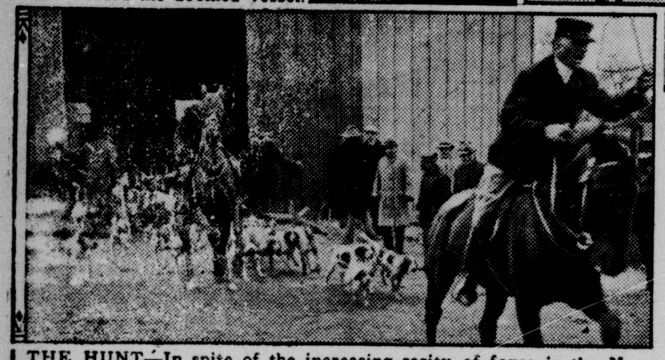
A FLOATING PYRE . . . Ill fated liner Morro Castle in which 134 met their deaths. A few heroic seamen can be seen still aboard the doomed vessel.





THE CONFIDENTIAL GENTLEMAN leaning on the microphone is Jack Benny, head man in radio's parade of funnymen, according to a poll of newspaper radio editors. He is now to be starred in a new Sunday night program starting October 14. Mary Livingstone, Don Bestor and his orchestra, and Frankie Parker, Benny's pet crooner, will serve as foils for Jack's shafts. On the air 7:00 p.m., E.S.T., for listeners in the East and Middle West, Benny's antics will be re-broadcast to reach the Coast at 8:45 Pacific Time.

DOLLY MADISON, of Metuchen, New Jersey, descendant of James Madison, the fourth president of the United States, dressed in colonial costume as delegate to the recent Constitution Day Celebration in Philadelphia.



THE HUNT—In spite of the increasing rarity of foxes in the New England States, the return of cool weather has brought out the fox hound packs in greater numbers than in several years past.

MOTHER OF SIKESTON RESIDENT SUCCUMBS

Mrs. Susie Stroud, 53 years old, died suddenly at her home at Redd a week ago Saturday afternoon between four and five o'clock. Two weeks and two days before her husband, Noah Stroud, died suddenly at the family home. Because the deaths were so close together and both of them sudden, officers were notified and Prosecuting Attorney Phillips and Deputy Sheriff Les Bollinger went to the home to inquire into the circumstances. Coroner Lloyd Morgan was also notified, but after hearing statements of members of the family and others who witnessed the demise, no inquest was held.

The mother is survived by nine children, three of whom are at home. The children are, Arvel of Two Rivers, Wis.; Robert of East Prairie; Albert of Corning, Ark.,; Mrs. Rosie Wheatley of Sikeston; Mrs. Rhoda Hughes of Dudley; Mrs. Fern Cozine and Cecil, Clarence and Ross, at home.

Mrs. Stroud was going about her usual household duties when she suffered the attack that proved fatal. One of the children was in the kitchen churning while the mother was working in another room. She went to the kitchen when the churning was finished and a minute or two later fell to the floor unconscious and died without regaining consciousness.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. S. E. Walker Burial was in the Dudley cemetery.

AS THEY'D SAY IT TODAY

Samson: "I'm strong for you kid."

Jonah: "You can't keep a good man down."

David: "The bigger they are, the harder they fall."

Helen of Troy: "So this is Paris!"

Columbus: "I don't know where I'm going, but I'm on my way."

Nero: "Keep the home fires burning."

Solomon: "I love the ladies."

Methuselah: "The first hundred years are the hardest."

Queen Eizabeth to Sir Walter Raleigh: "Keep your shirt on."

3 KENTUCKY MEN CHAINED IN PUBLIC SUE FOR $75,000

PAINTSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21 - Three men who were chained to posts in public have filed suits asking for $5000 an hour apiece for the time they were punished The suits, for a total of $75,000 named Police Judge R. A. Patrick, Chief of Police Powell Williams and Town Marshal Jeff Allen, as defendants.

James Price, Oscar Pelphrey and William Dills, plaintiffs, were chained when they refused to work. They are still in jail.

The petitions allege the three were "unlawfully an inhumanly" put in chains, irons and handcuffs, were led through the streets and chained to posts; that they suffered great mental anguish and pain from inclement weather and cold. The incident occurred December 5.



WE WISH YOU ALL
A MERRY XMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
Taylors Grocery
Miner Switch



Let Us Lay Aside All Care and Worry

MERRY CHRISTMAS

There've been quite a few ups and downs since this old world began to spin, and the human race has come through them all right side up and hitting on all six. There is no doubt that we shall do the same again and again as long as the wohle lasts. Therefore, let us this Christmas lay aside all care and worry, and to our lasting good both physically and moral, enter into the fullest enjoyment of the Happy Spirit of the season. The for us the New Year will be brighter.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Bartels Mercantile Company
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Can you defend your title to your home? Abstracts by Scott County Abstract Co. give ASSURANCE of a complete, clear title to real estate. Provides INSURANCE in specific amount against any challenge to your legal ownership.

Scott County Abstract Co.
BENTON, MISSOURI
HARRIS D. RODGERS, Mgr.
Farm Loans, Long Times, Low Interest Rate. Correspondence Invited

WE WISH OUR
FRIENDS
AND
CUSTOMERS
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

B-J TAVERN
4 Doors East of Marshall Hotel
BOB JOYNER
Prop.

GREETINGS
OUR WISH FOR YOU:
A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND THE
HAPPIEST OF
NEW YEARS
ENERGY COAL Company
Phone 502





Insurance Duke Says—

THE JOY WE FEEL

On Christmas Day is a great healer—may it bring you a New Year filled with health, happiness and prosperity

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co.
E. F. 'Duke' Weideman, Agent



LET THE HAPPINESS

You feel on this joyous Christmas Day be installed as a permanent fixture in your life

T. A. Slack Insurance Agency

Merry Christmas



Merchants and business men, those whom you have favored with your patronage, are eager at this time of the year to show their appreciation by extending their wishes that you enjoy the merriest holiday season you ever had. Fear that all of you might not be insulted in these good wishes if personal greetings were attempted caused the printing of this full page of greetings. We know you'll get them now—for all of you read this paper. Read them all—and may Christmas cheer fill your holidays with the greatest happiness.

These Merchants Join in Greeting You With the Heartiest and Most Sincere Expression of the Season's Cheer. Merry Christmas!

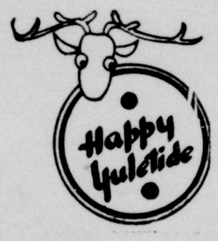




It Is Our Wish

That you will not overlook this greeting when the postman delivers all the others at your door. We extend our sincere hope that this Christmas will be the best you have ever had.

Electric Service Co.
Phone 45



To Our Friends

But what we really mean is that we're with you in your hope that this will be a very Merry Christmas.

TEXAS OIL CO.
F. W. Bonifield, Agt.



At Christmas

Picture little bundles, medium-sized bundles and big bundles, all jammed to overflowing and maybe you'l know just how much happiness we wish you during this merry Christmas season.

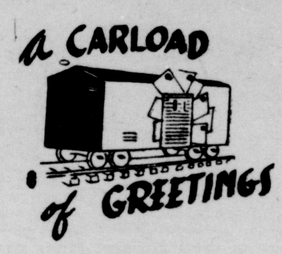
Sikeston Gin Co.



and the best of GOOD CHEER

This isn't as gaudy as some Christmas greetings you'll get, but when we say "The Merriest Xmas Ever" we're hoping mighty hard that that's the kind of Christmas you'll have.

HENNINGTON Paint & Trim Co.
Highway 61, Phone 217



TO ONE AND ALL At Christmas

Sidetracking the best of the season's good wishes right up to your front door. We bring you our sincere hope that good health will add most to you joy of living.

Faultless Cleaners
C. Tip Keller



AS LOUD AS WE CAN SAY IT

All the ducks and ducklings in the world can't make enough noise to drown out the hearty "Merry Christmas" that we wish for you.

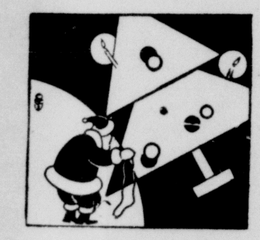
White's Drug Store



May Yours be a Merry Christmas

Our holiday greetings to you carry the best of cheer and good wishes for this happy season.

Ancells Phillips Service Sta.



Season's Cheer

We hope that your Christmas this year will be just like all the others . . . a little happier . . . a bit more friendly . . . and a longer time in being forgotten. gotten.

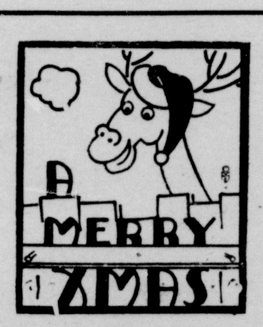
Dorrough Service Station
West Malone Ave.



by CANDLES at Xmas

Or Out in the brightest sunlight, we're glad of any opportunity to wish you the merriest of merry Christmases.

Dempsters Furniture and Undertaking Company



to you

And, like Santa's best reindeer looking over the fence, we'll get up just as high as we can to let you know that we wish you a 'Merry Christmas" too

E. P. Coleman Co.
Cotton



There's a Greeting for Everyone

You don't have to dig into a sack of mail to find our bit of Christmas greeting. Here it is, right here; and it's a very Merry Christmas to you all.

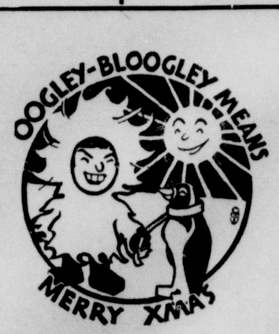
ENERGY OIL CORPORATION
W. H. Sikes, Manager



An 'ugh' and maybe a 'how' might have been the way old Chief Jumping Horse said that he'd like for you to have a nice holiday. But we'll be more to the point and asy

A Merry Christmas To You All

Air-Mist Auto Laundry



But If We Talked Like the Eskimo:

We'd come right out with "Oogley-Bloogley, Oogley - Bloogley", which, of course, means that we wish you the merriest of Mery Christmases.

Country Club Tourist Camp
LON NALL, Prop.



"A Merrier Christmas Than Ever Before"

Not that we think we can extend our season's greetings any better than the English, but maybe you'll understand just how much we want you to enjoy this happy time of year.

PAUL JONES GROCERY
DIAMOND TAVERN

MARIE PATTERSON WEDS PORTAGEVILLE MAN SUN.

Miss Marie Patterson of this city and John Fuller of Portageville were united in marriage at 11:30 o'clock Sunday morning, December 23, at the Catholic parish at Portageville with Father O'Flynn, pastor of the church officiating. Miss Thelma Lee of this city and groom, were attendants. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. C. Fuller, a brother of the B. Patterson, Miss Christine Cauthorne and Miss Wilma Johnson all of this city were also present to witness the ceremony.

A wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents here at 1:30 o'clock Sunday. Covers were laid for 12.

Mrs. Fuller, the charming young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Patterson, is well known here, having been educated in the Sikeston schools. At the time of her marriage she was employed at the Woolworth store here. Mr. Fuller, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fuller of Portageville, was graduated from the Portageville schools and since his graduation from college has been associated with his father in the lumber and construction business in Portageville, where, after two weeks, the young people will be at home to their many friends.

The Standard joins their many friends in wishing for them a long and happy married life.

Missouri Relief and Reconstruction Commission
Wallace Crossley, Administrator Jefferson City, Missouri

A total of $176,230.76 has been spent for unemployment relief in Scott County since the inception of federal relief in September, 1932.

Of this amount only $7,263.10 was from local public funds, according to figures furnished the state relief administration by local authorities.

While this expenditure from local funds compares favorably with that of counties similarly situated, it is far from being adequate in the opinion of the relief administration.

"Local self-government implies local self-support," said Wallace Crossley, state relief administrator, in commenting on the tendency of counties to relax their efforts to meet their share of the relief bill.

"The city or county which neglects to perform its duty to its own less fortunate citizens," Mr. Crossley continued, "is not only repudiating its moral obligations and its governmental responsibilities but is damaging its own character and is actually hindering national recovery."

Total relief expenditures in this county compare favorably with amounts spent in other Missouri counties where conditions are similar.

At the present time, approximately 2168 persons in Scott County are partially or wholly dependent on relief. This is 8.7 per cent of the county's population.

The present program, unlike the Civil Works Administration of last winter, is not an employment program. It is strictly a relief program to aid persons and families whom investigation shows are needy.

Civil Works primed the pumps of business, with more than $22,000,000 being spent in Missouri. Of this amount $89,317.65 was expended in this county.

Civil Works Service, employing thousands of women in Missouri, released $2,419.97 locally in pay rolls on women's projects.

When the CWA program was terminated March 31, a two months work relief program was inaugurated to complete projects and ease the situation brought about by the closing of CWA.

The work relief program, ending in June in all except the major urban areas of the state, was started up again in July because of the drought.

At the present time, 55 Missouri counties are receiving no federal or state funds for direct relief, it being the policy of these counties to take care of their own insofar as possible.

In mid-summer when drought first made serious inroads in this state, Mr. Crossley began thinking about easing the situation he knew was sure to develop unless rains occurred.

The rains did not come, and drought advanced. Special programs were started to prevent additional farm losses and to ease the suffering of humans and livestock.

Many farmers were unable to purchase seed for small acregaes of late forage crops; so the relief Administration stepped to their rescue. More than $800,000.00 worth of seed was distributed throughout the state, and 400,000 acres of winter pasturage developed.

The 35,000 Missouri farmers who participated in this program were allowed to work out the purchase price of the seed on approved relief projects.

Of the total relief expenditures in this county $48,223.45 went for direct relief and $18,584.96 was expended on work relief projects. In addition $1,207.30 was spent for materials used on work relief projects.

Included also under the item of work relief is the labor expenditures on many special programs such as fodder cutting and processing, relief canneries, community gardens, and mattress and furniture factories.

Under the garden and food conservation program 922 home gardens were planted in this county. The garden produce throughout the state averaged in value slightly more than $25.00 for each garden.

Besides the home gardens, 31 acres were planted in community gardens and 45,458 cans of vegetables and fruit were packed.

In the drought counties the relief administration cooperated with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in moving cattle from drought-stricken pastures. The Triple A spent approximately $6,474,000.00, of which about $1,287.12 went to farmers in this county.

Approximately 490,000 cattle were handled under this program in Missouri, of which 159,000 were slaughtered and canned in relief operated plants. These plants will close at the completion of the cattle program.

The commodity distribution in this county follows:

Salt pork 9,000 pounds; smoked pork 30,400 pounds; butter 4,260 pounds; eggs 1,890 dozen; apples 134 bushels; oranges 79 bags; blankets 168; cereals 2,088 packages; fresh beef 10,800 pounds; canned beef 7,032 cans; flour 67,031 pounds; lard 2,400 pounds.

In addition to the food stuffs distributed, fuel requirements are being furnished in Missouri counties. In many this means supplying coal. For the month of December, a total of 37,169 tons of coal estimated to cost $170,249.00 were allotted to counties. This county received an allotment of 112 tons.

Livestock rations will be available through local feed dealers this winter throughout the state as a result of the Relief Administration's corn-fodder program.

A total of 166,332 acres of corn fodder, estimated to yield 2078,79 tons of feed stuff, was purchased from farmers. One -fourth of this tonage is being milled and additional protein and carbohydrates will be added to make a feed of greater palatability and nutrition. Nearly 6,000 farmers participated in this program, receiving $613,-314.00 for corn-fodder which otherwise would practically have been a dead loss.

In this county,, 5,020 acres of corn were purchased.

Many citizens of this county are taking advantage of the emergency education program, designated to give relief to unemployed teachers and at the same time offering educational opportunities to citizens. Including October disbursements, $15,773.18 has been spent in this county.

The relief program is complex. It is impossible to indicate in a resume such as this the diversified activities that heach into thousands of homes. Women's work, student aid, social service development, school luncheons, transient program, emergency health work—in addition to the larger programs, make relief administration a difficult task.

In commenting upon the relief program, Mr. Crossley stressed the importance of an awakening community consciousness as a factor to recovery.

"The communities and the state must do their share in making this program successful." he said "They must bear their part of the burden of caring for their own destitute unemployed. Thus far, while our state has done more than many others enacting legislation to create revenue for relief, the federal government has borne by far the major portion of relief costs. State and federal funds are granted as supplemental, not as substitutes for what the local subdivisions should provide.

"Local responsibility cannot be evaded. Local communities must recognize the problem of relief as their own."

The sales tax, enacted to bolster revenues so that relief funds might be available failed to provide the revenue sought. As a result, the state has made good little more than half of the relief appropriation of $4,000,000 for the current year's relief bill.



We Wish For Everybody A

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Filled With Health, Happiness and Prosperity

F. W. Woolworth Co.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking all our friends and neighbors for their kind assistance and sympathy during the illness and death of our dear wife, mother and daughter, Audrey Moore. Especially do we thank Rev. Herschel Yates for his comforting words, and all those who contributed the beautiful flowers.

L. F. Moore and Children.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jordan.

Five negroes driving a Ford going south at 1:30 Monday afternoon and a ford containing three negroes driving north had a collision near the Buchanan filling station o nSouth Kingshighway, wrecking both cars and killing Willie McGee of Charleston. The five negroes were from Blytheville, Ark., and none seriously injured. McGee was said to have been drinking. The uninjured ones was doing mighty little talking.

It is hardly necessary for the editor to extend greetings to The Standard readers and patrons for they must know that we feel most kindly toward them for past favors. Our bread and butter has depended on their patronage and we haven't missed a meal, so you see we would be very ungrateful if we did not wish them the best ever. May the New Year bring happiness and contentment to all is our heartfelt wish.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Arthur left Saturday afternoon for Chicago for a visit with Mrs. Virginia Arthur, and their granddaughter, Marylyn Arthur.

Those from out of town who came to attend the funeral services for Mrs. L. F. Moore were: M. B. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan and Ben Hyde, all of Paducah, Ky.

There will be no Christmas for passengers on the liner General Sherman, which sailed from Portland, Ore., for the Orient las week. The vessel will cross the international date line Christmas Eve. Then it will be December 26. A post-Christmas celebration is planned.

Strange things happened in a storm which swept over Italy last week. At Corbezzie a violent gale lifted a haystack 70 feet in the air On the west coast, millions of sardines fell from the clouds after a whirlwind, and fishermen had only to walk along the shore and fill their baskets. And from Dar Es Salaam, Africa, comes the report of a waterspout that drew a small airplanc with its two occupants 10,000 feet upward at terrifying speed amid a shower of hailstones. A safe landing was made.

Ovide Joyal was summoned to a Montreal court because he had no license for his dog. When he appeared, he triumphantly flourished a new tag. The Recorder asked him why he didn't put it on the dog where it belonged. "I had to sell the dog to get the $2 for the license," replied Joyal. He was dismissed.

The following ad appeared in a Baltimore newspaper: "Will the guy who stole a green coupe with yellow wheles last Monday afternoon at the southeast corner of Charles and Read streets, please mail addressed Christmas cards he found in the automobile.

A bridle and mule together sold for $1 at an auction sale near Larkin, Ark. The buyer, Tom Kerr, took the bridle home and left the mule.

SURVEY SHOWS 1934 BEST YEAR SINCE 1931

WASHINGTON — Statisticians calculating the progress of business recovery find that in most aspects 1934 was the best year since 1931 and in some the best since 1930.

In the final month of the year industrial production seems in the aggregate to be close to where it was at this time last year. The year's totals in most lines, however, show substantial gains over 1933. That is due in part, of course to the extremely low levels to which business fell in the early months of 1933, coincident with the banking crisis.

Perhaps the most striking gains for 1934 have been made in sales of consumption goods and even in semiluxury products. This has been attributed in no small measure, business analysts say, to restoration of farm purchasing power as a result of higher prices and Government bonuses and benefits. This is illustrated in the progress made by the automobile industry, which appears to have sold the largest number of cars since 1930. A part of this improvement was due to increased exports.

Mrs. Kay S. Ex of Chicago will soon be the ex-Mrs. Ex. Seymour Ex, 23, told the Judge in asking for a divorce that his wife had developed temperament after their elopement last May. She broadcast their quarrels "over Station Kay S. Ex", said the beleagured husband and then threw him downstairs.

During the wedding of Miss Ellen Porter and Charles Gates in Chicago an undertaker wheeled a casket into the church for a funeral an hour ahead of time.



AT THE

YULETIDE

WE ARE REMINDED

of the kindness shown us back through the year and of the new friends and old friends. As we do this Christmas our hearts are filled with gratitude and we are made to believe that 1934 has been good to us. Thus feeling and in the great spirit that fills our hearts and minds at this season we extend

GREETINGS

and good wishes for Christmas and for 1935

Snyder's Grocery

Personal News of Sikeston

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pinkley of Desloge, who had visited here last week with Mrs. Pinkley's sister, Mrs. Louis Gnadt and family, went to Vanduser, Sunday afternoon to visit with Harry Lane and family. Mr. Lane is a brother of Mrs. Pinkley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Davey and daughter, Miss Ellen, went to Sullivan, Ky., Sunday, to visit witn Mrs. Davey's Cousin, Mrs. Fannie Montgomery. They will return today (Tuesday.)

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tippy will entertain their children and families today (Tuesday) at their home northeast of Sikeston. Those to be present, are: Mr. and Mrs. Dave Klingle and children. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pratt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tippy, Louis and Miss Ruth Tippy.

Mrs. J. R. Devinney returned to her home near Portageville, Sunday, having been called here by the death of her granddaughter, Mrs. Lloyd F. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams entertained the following at dinner, Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pinkley of Desloge, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gnadt and children of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Dal Harnes will entertain the following relatives today (Tuesday) Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stevens and son of Cape Girardeau, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lockhart of New Madrid.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ausmus and son of Centralia, Mo., arrived Sunday night to spend until after Christmas here with Mrs. Ausmus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews and J. A. Weatherford went to St. Louis Sunday to visit with relatives until Thursday.

Mrs. Jesse Cramer of Osceola, Ark., came Sunday to visit with her mother, Mrs. Tom Meyer, until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams will entertain today (Tuesday) with a family dinner. Those to attend are: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams, and Miss Effie Wymer of Zalma, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. Leman Shell and son, Billie, and Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Shell of Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harty and daughter, Eleanor, were in Memphis, Tenn., Sunday, to meet their son and brother, Harry Harty, Jr., who will spend the Christmas holidays here. Mr. Harty is attending the Virginia Military school at Lexington, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams, Bert and Gladys Moore and Owen and Appalone Taul of Canalou visited with Miss Maud Adams last Saturday.

Miss Grace Cline of St. Louis, came down Saturday to visit with her relatives. She will return to the city this evening (Tuesday).

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hitchcok and children will spend today at Pocahontas, Ark., with Mrs. Hitchcock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and Mrs. Fred Jones were in Vienna, Ill., ast Saturday, where they attended the funeral of George Huffman. Mr. Huffman was an uncle of Mrs. Scott and Fred and Miss Millie Jones of this city.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield entertained at a 12 o'clock dinner, Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein and children, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Klein and Miss Camille Klein.

Pat and Lawrence Adams and John Bailey went to Sedalia, Sunday, to visit with the former's relatives. They were expected to return here last night.

Carl Snyder, who is attending the Chillicothe Business College, Chillicothe, Mo., arrived last Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Snyder.

Mrs. E. H. Orear is confined to her home suffering with laryngitis. Mrs. Orear was reported to be some better yesterday (Monday).

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rankin went to Illmo, Sunday, where Mrs. Rankin remained to visit with her parents. Mr. Rankin will go to Illmo today and accompany his wife home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Johnson returned from St. Louis Sunday, where they had been visiting friends. Mrs. Johnson went to the city last Thursday, and Mr. Johnson joined his wife Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Myers and baby daughter, Margaret Ann, of Canalou were in town Saturday evening, shopping and also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wagner.

The T. A. Wilson family of Jefferson City will spend part of the week with relatives in Sikeston.

Joe Matthews left for St. Louis Sunday morning to visit his wife, who is a patient at Barnes oHspital. It is possible that Mrs. Matthews will be permitted to return to Sikeston for the holidays, then return to the hospital for further observation.

Mrs. Frances Steels, of New Madrid, was a business visitor in Sikeston Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Sikes will spend the day, Christmas, in Charleston with her daughter, Mrs. Lindsay Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Robbins of New Madrid were Sikeston visitors, Friday.

Mont Griffith, with the State Highway Department at Willow Springs is here for Santa Claus.

iss Lucille Stubblefield spent the week end in Dexter with her sister, Mrs. Leon Groves.

Mrs. M. G. Gresham and Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield visited in Portageville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Swanner will entertain their children, today, (Tuesday) at their home on Dorothy street, namely: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frissel of Cape Girardeau, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tongate and son, Ernest, Jr., of this city. Mrs. Ella Frissell, of the Cape, mother of Mr. Frissell, is also expected to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wedel spent the week end at Paducah, Ky., visiting with his mother, Mrs. Blanche Wedel.

LOST—Yellow and black indestructible fountain pen. Reward. Miss Rebecca Pierce, 1t-23 pd.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mocabee will entertain the follwing relatives at dinner today (Tuesday) at their home on Gladys street: Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Pharris of Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. Sharron Pharris and son, Jimmie, W. M. Pate and Mrs. A. C. Johnson of Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and Mrs. Jewell Gentle and daughter, Patsy Ruth, will spend today (Tuesday) at Portageville with their daughter and sister, Mrs. L. A. Harris and family.

Misses Bernice and Verna Landis of Cape Girardeau will spend today (Tuesday) here with their cousin, Mrs. A. H. Johnson and family.

Mrs. Betty Matthews and Mrs. Jane Mills will spend today at Poplar Bluff, with the former's daughter, Mrs. Jno. C. Corrigan, and family.

Mrs. D. E. Grojean and daughters, Misses Mary and Emma Lee, of Dexter came over Saturday to visit here until after Christmas with their daughter, and sister, Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and family.

Miss Margaret Harris, a teacher in the Schools at Dallas, Texas, arrived Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother and sisters, Mrs. Kate Harris and Misses Lydia and Audrey Chaney.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bailey and son, Kent, were in West Frankfort, Ill., Sunday, where they visited with the formers' father, J. L. Bailey. They also visited with Mrs. Bailey's Brother, Henry Williams, at Mt. Vernon, Ill., who is quite ill.

Miss Mildred Carter is confined to her home, suffering with neuritis.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Daugherty, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Inman, Mrs. C. L. Litzelfelner and children, Mary Frances and Don, and Miss Lucille Daugherty of Cape Girardeau came down last night (Monday) to spend until after Christmas here with their daughter and sister, Mrs. L. R. Burns, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Weeks of Dexter came over last night (Monday) to spend until after Christmas with Mrs. Week's aunt, Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and family.

We are glad to report that Dal Harnes is now able to be up, after a three weeks' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shankle and children and Mr. and Mrs. George Middleton and children will spend today (Tuesday) with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Middleton, near Dexter.

T. E. . CLASS TO HOLD WATCH PARTY

The T. E. L. Class, First Baptist church will be entertained by Mrs. Boyd Scillian and Mrs. Hester Carraway, on Monday night, December 31, at the former's home on Kathleen avenue. This will be a watch party, and all members of the class are invited to be present.

Sikeston Standard, $2.00 a year.



We'd like to plaster our greeting on every wall, to reach all our friends, for we're familiar with Christmas. We feel that we hava a lot in common; we've both changed, somewhat, but we've kept our old friends and old spirit. Furnaces have replaced Yule logs, electric lights the candles on trees, but the spirit of the occasion still makes Christmas the happiest holiday. To these friends, our customers old or new, we extend our greetings.

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PUBLIC WORKS

HAPPY THOUGHTS

May the sweetest memories of your happiest moments be with you during Christmas and may 1935 add many more to think about. This sincere wish we send to our patrons.

Sheppard's Cafe

Turkey and Fried Chicken Dinner Xmas Day

Announcement

I desire to announce that I have purchased Gloria's Cafe, and am now in complete charge. I will

SPECIALIZE IN BANQUETS AND SPECIAL PARTIES

Christmas Dinner Baked Turkey **50c**

We offer the best in meats and other foods and will render unsurpassed service.

Mrs. Freda Owens

Prop. Gloria Cafe



Straight from the Heart and in a way we hope you'll understand that we mean it.

We wish you a Most Joyous Xmas and a Bright Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Kirby's Cafe

Holiday Greetings 1934-1935

To you and to your family it is my sincere wish that you may enjoy the pleasure of this holiday season.

As the New calendar of months and days spreads out before you, may you look forward to every day being busier and happier that the one preceding, that the New Year into which you will soon enter may prove brighter than the one left behind,

Is the wish of your Postmaster

C. F. BRUTON.



A Sincere Wish

Our greeting is an old one, but Christmas is a time for old songs, old wishes, old friends. So again we say to our customers, "Happy Holiday." It's a sincere wish that this happiest holiday will be enjoyed by those who were our friends thirty years ago, and by those who have become our friends since that time.

J. A. Young
H. C. Young



By Martha B Thomas

CADDY lighted the fire in the fireplace. She switched on Christmas lights for the tree. She pulled down the shades, and pushed an easy chair towards the fire. Halsy would be home any time now, cold and weary from his round of calls on sick people. This was their first Christmas eve together since they had been married.

Halsy had started out on his rounds at noon. At three he had telephoned to her to say that he was obliged to abandon his



car. The snow was too deep. He had borrowed a pair of snowshoes and a fur cap, and with bag in hand, was about to walk a road leading through the woods to a small shack where a sick woman lay waiting his ministrations. At Caddy's worried inquiries, he said it would take him a couple of hours.

Caddy gazed at the flames. This country practice covered miles and miles. Halsy was conscientious. He never failed to reach his patients somehow, but he was tired and worn out. And Caddy herself was often lonely. Her plans for fun, for little parties at home, usually ended in trying to get someone to fill Halsy's place. She knew it would be like this. Halsy had warned her. She was sensible and patient. Yet tonight . . . Christmas eve, and Halsy's birthday. She sighed . . . she simply couldn't bear to have anything go wrong.

The telephone rang. "That you, Caddy? I'm stuck again. The drifts are so deep I can't walk through. I'm out of the wood road all safe, and within two miles of that sick child. But none of the farmers near here has a team of horses. I really need oxen to pull me through. It's tough going."

"Oh," breathed Caddy, trying not to sound dismal.

"Caddy, I wonder," he hesitated. She could tell he was tired by the drag in his voice. "If you could possibly get Lem Sauter's team of oxen and drive here for me! I simply can't ask him to do it himself. He has his daughter home for the holidays and her family. It's Christmas."

Caddy could not speak. She knew what this meant. Hours of being out in the storm. Heaven alone knew when they would get home.

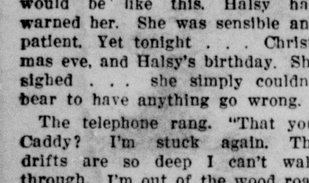
"Won't you, darling . . . to help me out?"

Then she remembered something her father had said to her on her wedding day:

"You will never be allowed to forget you are the wife of a country doctor. But I think he's worth it . . . if you are!"

So now over the telephone she said, "All right. Stay where you are. Get warm and rested, and I'll be there by Shanghai Express!"

The tedious drive behind the oxen seemed endless. The snow sifted down inside her collar. It blinded her. She was not actually suffering, but she was pretty uncomfortable. On . . . and on . . . and on. The whirling curtain swept before her. The snow drifted across the broad back of the patient beasts. They took their own



way in their own plodding time.

On and on . . . and on. Creak . . . creak . . . the swaying of the beasts was like some grotesque nightmarish rhythm. She almost fell asleep.

Then out of the whiteness ahead she heard a shout. "Hey . . . bless your heart, darling!" And Halsy jumped aboard.

The child was very sick. The throat had to be lanced. Caddy forgot her injured feelings. She helped capably. The mother, worn and harassed, thanked both with tears in her eyes. And together they drank coffee beside a humble kitchen stove, and ate huge slices of thick, buttered bread. Not what Caddy had planned for Christmas eve, yet, curiously enough, it seemed better than the other. It had . . . she tried to think it out—more strength and sinew in it.

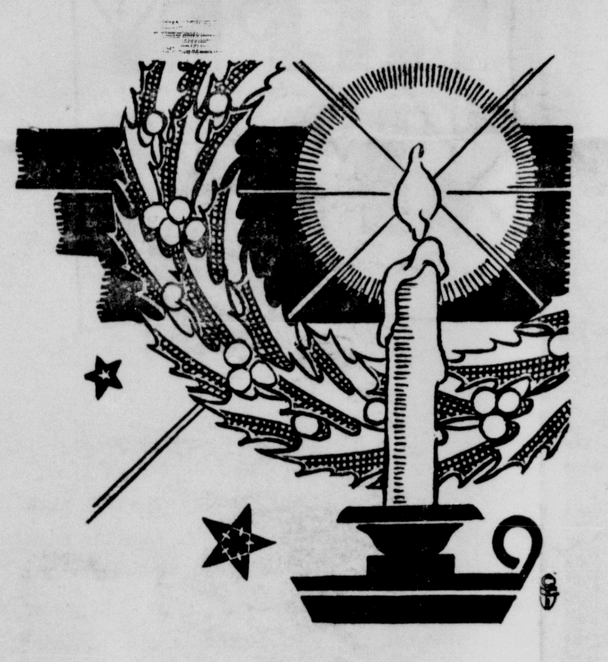
She smiled at Halsy. "This is positively the best Christmas eve I ever spent in my life!" she whispered.

Behind a large buttered slice of bread he kissed her. 'You are the perfect pattern of a country doctor's wife!" he whispered back.

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UNUSUAL FACTS REVEALED--by "Movie Spotlight"





May the day bring to you and yours the peace and contentment of a good old fashioned Christmas and may this same star of peace and contentment continue to shine for you throughout many, many days and many another joyous Christmas. Thus we express OUR wish for YOU on this Christmas Day.

THE MALONE THEATRE

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen

T. D. (Pete) Medley, Manager

BROOKS ENDORSED FOR POST IN CARUTHERSVILLE

Bailey F. Brooks, wel known Caruthersville young man, was endorsed by the Pemiscot County Central Democratic Committee for the Postmastership of Caruthersville at a committee meeting held at the county courthouse Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The commission of Paul L. Horner expires this month and the meeting was for the purpose of endorsing one of eleven applicants for the position. Since the township committee members could not agree on the endorsement of anyone it was taken before the county committee, resulting as above stated in the selection of Mr. Brooks.—Caruthersville Republican.

RETAIL SALES RISE 11 PER CENT FOR NOV.

WASHINGTON — Retail sales improved 11 percent in November as compared with the same month in 1933, according to announcement by the Federal Reserve Board, following a compilation of reports from 513 department stores in 247 cities throughout the country. The gain for the first 11 months of the year was reported as 13 per cent.

MALONE THEATRE

Sunday and Monday
December 30 and 31
Afternoon and Evening

ANOTHER "LITTLE WOMEN"

"Anne of Green Gables"

With

ANNE SHIRLEY as "ANNE"

Tom Brown, O. P. Heggie, Helen Westley

L. M. Montgomery's best selling novel for over a quarter of a century.

Also

PARAMOUNT SOUND NEWS

And

MORTON DOWNEY

"OFF THE BEAT"

MALONE THEATRE

Saturday Only
December 29
Continuous Show 1:30 to 11 p. m.



Little Man — You've Had a Busy Day!

A nose-gay to you, Mr. Fields, for another swell comedy!

Adolph Zukor presents

W. C. Fields in "IT'S A GIFT"

Baby LeRoy

A Paramount Picture
Directed by Norman McLeod

Also

BETTY BOOP CARTOON

And

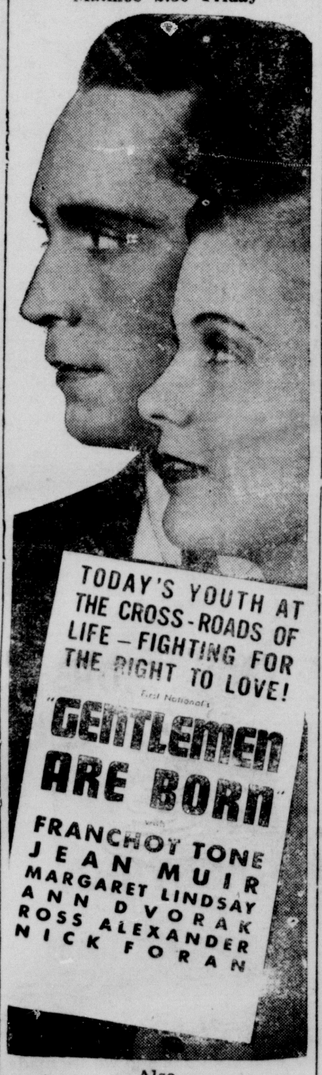
TAILSPIN TOMMY

Episode 9

"THE EARTH GODS ROAR"

MALONE THEATRE

Thursday and Friday
December 27 and 28
Matinee 2:30 Friday



Also

PARAMOUNT SOUND NEWS

And

Frolics of Youth Comedy

"THE CAMPUS HOOFER"

MALONE THEATRE

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 AND 2

Continuous Show Tuesday 2:30 to 11 p. m.
Matinee Wednesday 2:30

The Screen's great comedian says:

"UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST INTELLIGENT MUSICAL PICTURE THAT HAS COME OUT OF HOLLYWOOD! GRACE MOORE IS, WITHOUT QUESTION, DESTINED TO BECOME EHE WORLD'S GREATEST MUSICAL STAR!"

—Eddie Cantor



THE MOST GLORIOUS MUSICAL ROMANCE OF ALL TIME!

Also

Rainbow Cartoon

"PARROTVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT"

And

Leon Errol in

"GOOD MORNING EVE"

IT MATTERS NOT HOW A MAN DIES, BUT HOW HE LIVES.—SAMUEL JOHNSON

SIKESTON STANDARD

Southeast Missouri's Leading Semi-Weekly

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THE EDITOR SAYS—

Another "little bird" was telling us that an officoal of the State Highway had been in Southeast Missouri interviewing some members of county courts, seeking their endorsement of a certain Republican Division Engineer to remain on the job instead of transferring him to another Division and placing him in a secondary position, and giving the better position to a competent 100 per cent Democrat. We expect to do a little interviewing ourself, and if reports are true, will give the name of the official.

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It's a pity and shame to get all het up just before time for Santa Claus to make his rounds, but we notice in the news column where a negro who had committed a deadly assault on another of his race recently, and who had been out on a $500 bond signed by his white attorney had jumped the country. It was our understanding that a lawyer in the case could not qualify as a bondsman. What is to follow? Is the lawyer to be forced to pay the bond or go to jail in place of the negro?

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Lon Nall has the thanks of the families of the two Charlies of The Standard for a whopping mess of fish, direct from Reel Foot Lake. Nall serves fresh fish at his place two miles north of Sikeston on Highway 61.

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We are in hopes the milk of human kindness has neither curdled nor dried up in breasts of human beings, and that each and everyone will, by word or deed make someone happy this Christmas time. It takes but little to bring the sparkle to a child's eyes and the grumpiest grouch is bound to appreciate kind words and words of encouragement.

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The Tuesday edition of The Standard gave notice of the school plays for the high school auditorium and since that time both entertainments have met with much favorable comment. Not having been present at the "Green Cheese" we can make no first hand comments, but was present Wednesday evening when the little folks gave us "Santa Claus" and it was very sweet. Patsy Ellise had the lead among the girls with John Ensor the lead for the boys. The little folks had a lot to memorize and their gestures woud have done credit to some amateurs. Their singing was fine and the girl angels opened their mouths wide and gave all they had. The drills acting, and dancing, for children so young, was most creditable. Toward the last came Carol Jean Baldwin, a beautiful blond doll of a child, all dressed in white, and captivated the audience. If Santa Claus will just leave her at our house, we'll love, honor, obey and spoil her for ever more.

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An act of Congress was passed soon after the Civil War authorizing one Mary Walker to appear in public on all accasions that she saw fit in man's attire. This authorization was given in recognition of services rendered on the battle fields as a nurse in the Union Army. We have seen her many times. She was a small dried-up faced little woman who wore a Prince Albert coat, a silk hat and carried a cane. Quite a commotion was caused in the woman's rest room in the Capitol one time when Dr. Mary Walker appeared in that secluded room, that caused several women to run from the rooms screaming that a man was in there.

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FOR A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON

The holiday season is designed to bring joy and happiness—but it likewise brings with it a vast amount of preventable misery, because of the accident toll. The gravity of the problem is magnified by the fact that a large percentage of Holiday accidents involve children. Hundreds of them are killed and thousasds are needlessly injured every December.

Here are a few rules, issued by the National Safety Council, to help pass a safe and happy Christmas Season:

Don't permit children to play in the streets—the old practice of hitching sleds to automobiles is especially hazardous.

Be extremely cautious in the matter of ice-skating—ice must be at least four inches thick before it can be trusted to sustain a large group.

Winter brings special automobile hazards, such as ice and snow poor visibility and soft highway shoulders. Remember them—and drive accordingly.

Don't use candles on your Christmas tree—don't put it near a stove—don't use inflammable trimmings—don't permit it to dry out in the house after Christmas—don't fail to anchor it firmly—don't use light bulbs of greater strength than one firefly candlepower.

These little hints are simple enough—there's nothing but common sense behind them, and they will cost nothing, in either time or money to follow. And they may be the means of saving the lives of loved ones.

Sailor: "I'm sorry I ran over your hen. Would a dollar make it all right?"

Farmer: "Well, better make it two. I have a rooster that was mighty fond of that hen; the shock might kill him, too."

SHOAT WAVES HEARING; BOUND TO CIRCUIT COURT

Walter Shoat, Sikeston negro, who killed his estranged wife, Gladys Shoat, with on shot from a 45 Colt revolver last Friday morning, was bound over to the Scott county circuit court when he waived a preliminary hearing in Judge J. W. Myear's justice of the peace court Thursday afternoon.

When he failed to attempt to supply a bond for his temporary release, Shoat was returned by Sheriff Joe Anderson to the Benton jail, where he has been kept since shortly after the shooting.

The negro woman was slain Friday supposedly because Shoat was jealous that she was iving with Ike Petty, another negro. Stealing the revolver from the home of C. H. French, where he worked, Shoat walked south to Tin Can alley. In front of a negro cafe run by Petty, he opened the outer door, spoke to his wife, and then fired at her head when she tried to ignore him.

Gladys Shoat lived two hours after she was shot, but physicians were unable to save her life. In the meantime, Shoat returned the gun to the French home, then started to the city hall to surrender himself. When he was questioned intensively by officers in the city jail Friday afternoon he related a coherent story of the shooting and admitted committing the murder.

T. J. Christian and Edward Bruce were fined $5 and costs and each sentenced to ninety days in jail Thursday when they pled guilty to stealing merchandise from Schwarz's and Woolworth's stores. In announcing the sentence Judge Myers stated the jail terms would be stayed if the men paid their fines and costs. When they failed to obtain money for the fines, they were taken back to the Benton jail.

The two were stopped by Jacob Schwarz December 8 as they were leaving Mr. Schwarz's store with a woman's belt, two ties, a sweater, and a pair of gloves. They had previously stolen nine pairs of socks from Woolworth's.

William (Spike) Heath and Rex Burns, both of whom are charged with numerous offenses, supplied bonds of $300 each when their cases were called Thursday afternoon. Their hearings were postponed until January 3.

The men are accused of resisting arrest, disturbing the peace by attempting to incite a riot between whites and negroes, ejecting negroes from the streets, and jail breaking. Their attempt to escape from the city jail after their arrest Saturday evening was thwarted when officers went to the jail at midnight to leave another prisoner. Heath and Burns had torn a water pipe from the wall, thus wrecking the jail toilet, and with it had managed to knock brick and mortar from around the top hinge of the jail's iron door. They were taken to Benton Sunday morning.

Andrew Aprey's bond, furnished by M. G. Gresham, was ordered forfeited and a citation issued when Aprey failed to appear in court Thursday afternoon.

Happy Huey was sentenced to serve thirty days in jail Thursday afternoon when he pled guilty in Judge Wiliam S. Smith's court to being drunk, to disturbing the peace, and to driving while he was intoxicated.

At the request of George Kirk, attorney for Fred Briggs, who was arrested with Huey and must face the same charges, a hearing for Briggs was continued until January 3. Both men were arrested near the Midwest Diary Products Company offices on a complaint filed by Ted Kirby. Huey has been taken back to the Scott county jail in Benton, where Briggs is also confined.

POSTOFFICE TO BE OPEN ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Sikeston postoffice will remain open all Saturday afternoon, John F. Wood, assistant postmaster, said today. As is customary on ordinary week days, the north windows will be closed at 5:30 o'clock and those on the west at 6 o'clock.

Persons who yet have packages to mail are advised not to wait until Saturday, however, if they want their parcels to be delivered on Monday. Sikeston postoffice workers will send all mail out Saturday evening, Mr. Wood said, but in other postoffices of the country workers will have so many letters and packages to handle on Monday morning that it will be impossible to deliver them all. Mail, then, should be taken to the Siketson postoffice today.

MRS. LLOYD F. MOORE

Mrs. Audrey Wilma Moore, 34 years old, died Thursday of peritonitis at her farm home ten miles south of Sikeston on highway 61. Mrs. Moore, a resident of New Madrid county for eleven years, was born November 1, 1900 in Princeton, Ky.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Matthews Methodist Episcopal church at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, the Rev. Herschel Yates officiating. Burial will be in the Matthews cemetery.

Mrs. Moore is survived by her husband, Lloyd F. Moore, whom she married on August 25, 1923; three children, Mary Ethel, 10 years old, Charles William, 7, and Betty Jewell, 5; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James William Jordan, both of Sikeston. Albritton service.

Twentieth Anniversary Sikeston Woman's Club

Tuesday evening of this week was the twentieth anniversary of the organization of the Woman's Club of Sikeston and in honor of the event, friends of the Woman's Club were invited to meet with them at the Marshall Hotel and celebrate the occasion.

The inclement weather kept many from attending but those who did brave the heavy rainfall were well paid.

It was rather a coincident to have present Mrs. A. H. Hinchey, of Cape Girardeau, who twenty years ago was present at the organization of the Sikeston Woman's Club. Mrs. Hinchey has but recently returned from Japan, where she was a teacher in a girls' school, and she gave those present a most enjoyable talk on her work in that country, of the courtesy shown her by the people, and the beauties of that island.

Prof. Claiborn and three of his violin pupils, James Hux, James Lewis and Catherine Ann Cook, gave some very sweet selections that were pleasing, Miss Madge Davis accompanist.

Mrs. J. L. Priester, soloist, gave two numbers with Mrs. Bess Elder at the piano.

The above numbers show that Sikeston has artists sceond to none in Southeast Missouri.

Mrs. C. C. White was in charge of the program and after the music, called on C. F. Bruton, who was instrumental in the organization of the Woman's Club, who gave a fine talk of the progress made in beautifying and improvements made in our city mostly through the efforts of the Woman's Club and its members.

In turn C. L. Blanton, Sr., F. D. Lair and Geo. W. Krik were called on for a few remarks, then refreshments and adjournment.

CHAMBER INCORPORATION PAPERS ARE APPROVED

Corporation papers for Sikeston Chamber of Commerce, sent recently to Dwight Brown, secretary of state, in Jefferson City, returned here approved Tuesday, according to E. F. Schorle, president of the chamber.

Mr. Schorle has called a meeting of the organization officers for next Tuesday evening so that by-laws may be altered slightly to include the new charter.

Ever since he was elected president of the chamber last spring, Mr. Schorle has urged incorporation of the group for protection. After members endorsed the movement, a charter was sent to Judge Frank Kelly for approval in the Scott county circuit court during the November term. As soon as papers were returned here, they were forwarded to Jefferson City.

TEXAS PAIR KILLS 5,000 RATTLERS

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 18—A hoe, a long stick and plenty of nerve have netted Dee and Nelson Basham $500 in the last 14 months.

Owners of the Spade Ranch, near here, offered 10 cents each for dead rattlesnakes on their land.

The Bashams went to work and yesterday reached a total of 5,000.

First Lieutenant: "Could you suggest a safe place to put these valuable papers which I have?"

Executive Officer: "You might try putting them in the filing cabinet there; no one can find anything in it."

POOR KITCHENS IMPROVED WITH NEW EQUIPMENT

Up-to-Date, Step-Saving Devices Make Modern Housewife's Task Easy

Poorly arranged kitchens, lacking in up-to-date facilities, can make for the housewife a veritable ordeal of the task of preparing meals. Kitchens of this type usually are those that were built years ago, before modern improvements were available. Any old kitchen, no matter how great its shortcomings, can be transformed into a place of beauty and charm, made comfortable and convenient by modernizing.

If there is not enough natural light, windows can be enlarged or additional ones installed. Darkness can be further dispelled by placing a drop light over the stove or in other places.

Cupboards, cabinets, shelves and bins can be built to provide for convenient storage of food, cooking utensils and dishes. If there is an utilized space beneath the drain board of the sink it can be made into a vegetable bin, and perhaps save many steps to the back porch or the basement. Serving dishes stored in the old-fashioned cupboard in the dining room can just as well be placed in twin cupboards at each side and above the sink.

LIFE IN THE GALAPAGOS

The mysterious occourences in the Galapagos Islands have focused attention on that remote archipelago. The National Geographic Society obliges with a bulleting, showing that the Galapagos flora strangeness. More than half the and fauna rival the inhabitants in islands' flower, bird and reptile species are to be found nowhere else in the world. Scientists agree that the islands have never been nearer the mainland than their present distance of 600 miles, so evolution has had a chance to work unhampered in this isolated laboratory. Charles Darwin found there valuable data for his "Origin of Species."

The giant tortoise is perhaps the most celebrated reptile inhabitant of the islands. It weighs up to 400 pounds and attains an age of 300 to 400 years, thought to be the maximum among living animals. Another unique species is the giant water iguana, the only sea-going lizard known to science. The islands also have the flightless cormorant, a bird which cannot fly, found nowhere else. Brilliant colors and strange forms prevail in all species.

The native animals, from their rare contacts with men, are comparatively tame. Paradoxically, it is the domestic animals, such as dogs, cats, goats, pigs and cattle marooned there intentionally or by shipwreck, that have become wild. They are a nuisance to the inhabitants, says the bulletin, and destroy eggs and neyly-born specimens of native species.

Just now, however, interest centers on the strange antics of the islands' human inhabitants. When the current excitement subsides, the numerous scientific expiditions which visit the group will again hold the center of the stage.—Post-Dispatch.

ATTIC CONVERTED EASILY TO ROOM

Many a home has an unseen room tucked between the attic rafters or in some wasted space in the basement.

If it is in the attic, a little building board, wall paper, paint and varnish will develop it charmingly, and the newly discovered room will help insulate the house. Such additional insulation, it has been found, saves from thirty to forty per cent of the fuel bill, and will pay for itself shortly right out of savings from the coal pile or oil supply.

A wasted basement corner may be turned into a recreation or "rumpus" room with a partition wall, and some colored concrete, concrete ashlar, stucco or cement plaster and a small amount of paint and decoration.

The Better Housing Program of the Federal Housing Administration will help finance the project for any home owner who can not or would rather not pay cash for the addition of these rooms.

Fifty young men enlisted in the Navy at the St. Louis Recruiting Station during the week of December 10 to 14, filling the December quota allowed the St. Louis district by the Navy Department. They were transferred to the Naval training station, San Diego, for twelve weeks of recruit training, prior to assignment to ships of the Fleet for duty.

Drunk: "Shay call me a cab will ya "

Bystander: "My good man, I'm not a doorman; I'm a naval officer."

Drunk: "Awright; call me a boat —I gotta get home."

NEW PAINT JOB CAN ENHANCE HOME'S VALUE

Examination Should be Made Now to Ascertain Condition of Surface

Many of the property improvement projects during the Better Housing Program of the Federal Housing Administration will take the form of a new coat of paint both to improve the appearance of the house and protect it.

A house is in need of paint if the gleam has disappeared, the surface is dry and chalk-like, or the coating is washed off entirely in spots. When any of these conditions are present in the outer walls, it is time for quick action. If the house is to be protected from the destroying influences of moisture, sun and wind—the chief enemies of the surface. Particular attention should be directed to "danger spo's" such as sills, thresholds, porch floors and steps, joints of porch railings and palings, bases of pillars, edges of eaves, roofs, gutters and down spouts. These often rot or rust unnoticed, and should be inculded in the regular paint job.

Preparing Surface

Preliminary treatment depends on the condition of the old coating. If it is thin but fairly smooth, it is sufficient to dust it off well and putty up the cracks. If patches of blisters are present, scraping and touching up with paint is required. Any roughened areas should be lightly sanded. If four or five previous paint jobs already cover the house, these must be thoroughly scraped or burned off before the new coat is applied. Otherwise the new coat will lack a satisfactory base, appear uneven, and peel off very soon.

Fall painting is becoming more popular each year, and in regions of moderate temperatures, winter painting is rapidly gaining favor. Advocates of fall and winter painting point to the fact that troublesome insects are lacking during these seasons, and that the new fast-drying paints have little chance to freeze if the weather is not too harsh. It is best however, to paint only when the temperature is at least 40 degrees and there is no chance of it going lower before the paint is dry. If painting is done at a lower temperature, the coat may remain soft catching soot and becoming dull, and possibly washing away.

In fall and winter as in the other seasons, the wood must be thoroughly dry inside and out. Otherwise the sun may draw moisture to the surface, blistering in the case of wood and spotting if concrete or stucco constitutes the base. An expert can tell whether the wood is dry enough to be painted.

Paint Garage, Fences, Etc.

While the paint is still in the bucket it is a good plan to dress up the garage, fences, gates and garden furniture. Try painting the chimney white if the house is of traditional colonial architecture and is being painted white itself.

When it is realized that 75 per cent of the cost of a paint job is for labor and 25 per cent for materials, the folly of buying "economy" paint or paint materials is apparent. A few dollars more will buy a quality paint that will cover a larger area in the first place and prove more durable in the end. It should also be remembered that an expert who may charge $8 a day to an amateur's $4, can often do nearly twice as much work in a day, and will do it much better.

If a building is even slightly in need of painting, the work should be started at once with quality materials and a good contractor. A great loss will result if the painting is put off until the wood begins to rot and the metal to rust.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 19, 1934

Dear Santa:

I will write you a few lines to hear what you are going to bring me for Christmas. I will ask for candy, apples, tangerines, oranges, that will be all. I will ask for a doll with hair, and sleeps, and crys, and walks, and talks. I will close Santa Claus. Merry Christmas, Goodbye Santa.

Ruth Faye Cockrell.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 16, 1934

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy, five years old and I would like for you to bring me a pair of boots and boot pants, also a banjo, scooter and just anything else you want to bring me. Don't forget any little boys and girls this Christmas Santa, and I want you to come see me at my grandpa's this year.

P.S. Please bring me a football too.

Your little friend,
Wayne Greer Limbaugh.

DISAPPEARS WHILE FREE ON $500 BOND PENDING ASSAULT CHARGE TRIAL

Andrew Aprey, the negro who is charged with felonious assault on another negro, Scott Evans, in Malone Park early last month, was reported to have left Sikeston late last week.

Aprey was scheduled to have a preliminary hearing in Judge W. Myer's court here Thursday afternoon.

Following a tip that the negro was planning to leave town, W. O. Ellis, constable of Richland township, went to Aprey's house last week and discovered that he and his wife had moved away.

At the time of his disappearance, Aprey was temporarily free on a $500 bond furnished by M. G. Gresham, his attorney. The negro was first held in the Benton jail after his arrest, but at a scheduled preliminary hearing here December 6, he was released on bond and his trial postponed for a week. On December 13, it was again continued, this time until yesterday.

Evans was so severaly injured by a knife during the alleged fight that soon afterward he had to undergo an operation in Cape Girardeau for the amputation of his left arm at the shoulder. He also suffered a long, deep cut on his left cheek.

TEXAN BECOMES VERY ILL AT DEL-REY HOTEL

Roy M. James, of Wichita Falls, Texas, a representative of a wrought iron range and stove works, was taken to the Frisco station in the Dempster ambulance Wednesday afternoon so that he could be placed on a train bound for his home.

A week ago, Mr. Jones became severely ill with rhematism while he was staying at the Del-Rey Hotel. When he found that he would not recover rapidly, he summoned his attorney, a Mr. Radcliff, of Wichata Falls. By the time the lawyer had arrived, Mr. Jones had settled all of his affairs in order that he might spend Christmas with his wife and small daughter.

EMERGENCY AIRPORT TO BE SECURED AT MALDEN

Malden, Dec. 19—A contract for conditioning and fencing a federal emergency landing field, 3 1-2 miles north of here has been awarded to Otto Demaree, according to George S. McKean, representative of the Air Navigation Division of the U. S. Department of Commerce. Demaree will begin work in five or six weeks and will have the field in condition by Feb. 1. A beacon light, boundary lights and other equipment will then be installed by electrical engineers. The field is one of several being established between St. Louis and New Orleans and is to be used only in emergencies by mail planes. —Cape Missourian.

Bradley Dancing Pupils Entertain Lions Club

Students of Miss Milfred Bradley's three youngest dancing classes entertained Lions club members with a short Christmas program at a regular club meeting held in the Marshal Hotel Wednesday noon.

Dressed as Santa Claus, Shirley Shainberg opened the program by singing "Santa Claus is Coming to Town". Members of the three classes then entered in groups, first dancing separately and then together.

At the high school auditorium Wednesday evening, the students presented a similar entertainment at a performance of the second grade operetta, "Santa Claus". At this program Carol Jean Baldwin, the 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baldwin, a field man for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch who recently moved from here to Campbell, also danced.

Members of the oldest class who participated in the entertainment ley, Mary Lewis, Joy Mae Edwards, Carolyn Weltecke, Phyllis Wednesday are Martha Jean Brad-Harrison, Sue Tanner, Mary Ann Lankford, Grace Marie Sitzes, Alice Van Horne, and Shirley Shainberg.

The middle group was composed of Betty Anderson, Mary Jane Stevenson, Eleanor McClure, Betty Hirschberg, Pat Ellise, Amy Wilkinson, and Mary Ann Noonan.

The smallest dancers were Jean Noonan, Mary Eugenia Blanton, Eugenia Potashnick, Dot Matthews and Grances Ann Newsom.

Mrs. O. T. Elder played at the entertainments.

At the Lions club meeting Wednesday it was announced that about 600 cans of fruits and vegetables and 8 bushels of potatoes were collected by the organization's benefit movie at the Malone theatre Saturday morning. This produce will be divided among Sikeston churches for distribution on Christmas day.

COMMERCE JUSTICE SUCCUMBS SUDDENLY

Commerce, Dec. 20—Judge A. L. Mills, 72-years old, a lifelong resident of Scott County, and prominent in Republican politics for years, and for 20 years justice of the peace here, fell dead on the street here today while on his way to his office from his home. He was found in front of the Moore building, which is located just a half block from his office. Acute indigestion was given as the cause of death. He had been in good health, with the exception of complaining of indigestion.

Funerall services have not been arranged pending the arrival of other members of the family. He leaves his widow and three sons, Marvin of St. Louis, Arthur of Commerce and Cuthfert of Advance. Fred, another son, died two years ago of acute indigestion. He was postmaster at that time. Judge Mills had lived in and around Commerce all his life, retiring from the farm 25 years ago.—Cape Missourian.

FREE MOVIE TO BE SHOWN CHRISTMAS

Every Sikeston child 10 years or younger has been invited to attend a free picture show which will be given at the Malons theatre at 10 o'clock Christmas morning.

The entertainment will consist of eight reels of comedies, a cartoon, and music.

No tickets will be sold to the movies, which are being shown as a Christmas present to the children from Mr. and Mrs. McCutchens, owners of the theatre.

The condition of Mrs. Jane Martin Scott, North Handy street, is reported as unchanged. Mrs. Scott suffered a paralytic stroke last Sunday night while attending church.

Bill Weiderman is reported to be better, after a two weeks' illness of the flue.

Mess Captain: "Why do you call this an enthusiastic stew?"

Mess Cook: "Because the cook put everything he had in it."

CALF BORN IN MANGER

An unusual occurrence attended the birth early Sunday morning of a calf at Gust Zacher's farm on Murray Lane.

Charles Thompson, who lives on the farm property, went to a barn at about 6:30 o'clock and discovered that his cow had apparently borne a calf. The calf, however, wasn't in the cow's stall.

Looking carefully over the floor of the stall, Mr. Thompson was unable to find a calf and was almost ready to quit his search when he heard a slight noise.

Encouraged, he continued to look, but still unsuccessfully. At last, he heard a sound unmistakably like that of a calf, and peering finally into the stall manger, he saw the calf lying on its back. The cow had evidently been unsuccessful in her search if she made one.

$83,000 DRAINAGE LOAN GOES TO EAST PRAIRIE

Washington, Dec. 19—The Reconstruction Finance Corp. announced loans yesterday totaling $419,500 on drainage and irragation projects in Arkansas and Missouri. Three of the loans were to the Texarkana, Ark., region. They were for Miller County Levee District No. 2, $233,000; Miller County Drainage District No. 6, $75,000. St. James rainage District, East Prairie, Mo., was granted $83,000.

Did You Ever Stop to Think?

By Edson R. Waite
Shawnee, Oklahoma

Edson R. Waite, Shawnee, Okla.

Most cities need more harmony and less friction; more wide-awake people and less sleepy ones.

It is said that boundless energy is built on sound sleep. Some cities must have much energy stored away. Now is the time to release it.

Time waits for no man. Don't put off until tomorrow what you should do today. You won't live forever.

Some cities should wake up, get into a constructive frame of mind, turn loose some of their stored up energy and get busy.

The citizens of some cities need to get a better vision of their city's present and future greatness.

They should bear in mind that the future of the home city is a public trust.

As the world progresses so should the home city progress. Business must be improved, industries encouraged and a spirit of progress developes in such a way that will lead to greater things.

If you don't want to be known as a back number, do your share to keep your city ahead.

THE ENDLESS SLAUGHTER

State and federal statisticians have completed their work of compiling the traffic casualty record for the first 10 months of 1934. The result is shocking commentary on American intelligence.

The total traffic dead number 28,400.

The total of traffic injured is 740,000.

Many of the latter are hopelessly crippled.

The most conservative estimate of an anticipated total of traffic fatalities for 1934 is 36,000 dead.

That will mean an increase of approximately 5,000 over last year.

It will be an increase of 3,000 over the worst year, 1931.

It is highly significant that nearly 50 per cent of the total killed so far this year were pedestrians, a great percentage of whom died as a result of their own carelessness or their disregard of regulations affecting pedestrian movements.

The figures, too, belie the statements made early in the depression when many were saying that traffic casualties would increase as people went on driving cars long after they should have been junked. The low ebb of car buying was in 1932 and 1933. In those years traffic casualties decreased.

In New Jersey there has been a 45 per cent increase in traffic over last year. The New Jersey motor vehicle department, making an analysis of the accidents, reports that there has been great increase in the number of accidents occurring "on the newest, straightest and widest highways, in fine weather and during daylight hours." This would indicate that high speed was a definitely contributing factor toward the increase.

In Cook County, Illinois, more than 1,100 persons have been killed this year, a number far in excess of anything Cook County has yet had.

The slaughter, despite intensive safety campaigns, stricter traffic laws, and more rigid requirements for driving licenses, goes on apace, day after day, night after night. A distinctive condition exists which is worse, in some respects than war. One may hope for the termination of a war. The 1934 casualty records inspire no hope that the traffic slaughter will be lessened.—Commercial Appeal.

NAVAL HUMOR

Son: "Is a ton of coal very much papa?"

Father Who is a Fireman: "That depends whether I am shoveling it in a hot fireroom on the ship or buying it here ashore.

He: "Tomorrow evening I'm going out to East San Diego to see a model home."

She: "Listen here big boy, if there is any model to see home you let some shipmate do it."

First Student Aviator: "Quick, what do I do now instructor?"

Second ditto: What! Aren't you the instructor?".

Sally "I'm going out on a picnic with a young sailor, What do you think I should take."

Sarah: "Care."

Seaman: "Do you serve crabs here?"

Waiter: "We serve anyone; sit down!"

Seaman: "Why were you kissing my girl in a dark corner last nite?"

Fireman: "Now that I have seen her in daylight I wonder myself."

Visitor: "So you say the Admiral is the highest ranking officer here?"

Seaman: "Yes sir."

Visitor: "And nobody can give him orders?"

Seaman: "Nobody but his wife."

Ensign: "I read in a book where Appolo was chasing a nymph and she turned into a tree.

Lieut: "He was lucky. Those I chase always turn into a night club or restaurant."

Sailor: "My ancestors came over in the Mayflower."

Marine: "Lucky for you that they did. The imigration laws are stricter now."

For a Christmas Dinner You'll Never Forget

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

Perhaps you are one of those fortunate ones whose family custom includes a real old-fashioned "get-together" at Christmas, with grandmothers and grandfathers, motners and fathers and children of all ages crowded around the dinner table. Or perhaps your celebration is smaller—in any case you'll want to serve a dinner that reflects in careful planning the spirit of the day. Here is a menu that's typically "Christmas" in spirit and certain to be enthusiastically received.

Chiled Tomato Juice
Sea-Food Cocktail
Prime Roast Beef
Yorkshire Pudding
Brown Gravy
Celery With Brussels Sprouts
Whipped Potatoes
Grapefruit and Pear Salad
Clover Leaf Rolls
Currant Jelly
Plum Pudding, Lemon Sauce
Coffee
Fruit Cup
Cream of Spinach Soup
Roast Turkey with Dressing
Giblet Gravy
Cranberry Jelly
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Green Beans
Lettuce With Thousand Island
Parker House Rolls
Mince Pie or Fruit Cake
Coffee

If you are planning to have guests during the holidays—and most of us are—you'll want to have some particularly delectable dishes lined up to serve them, either for dinner, for luncheon or evening gatherings. Something that's a bit out of the ordinary, something that will lend a "party" air to the occasion.

BAKED HAM SLICES

3 slices pineapple
3 medium-size sweetpotatoes
3 apples, sliced
2 slices raw ham
1-2 cup pineapple juice
Brown sugar
3 tbsp. butter

Place the slices of canned pineapple in a greased pudding dish. Cut the sweet potatoes lengthwise and cover the pineapple. Cover with the sliced apples and top with ham slices. Pour the pineappe juice over the top. Cook in a slow oven in a covered dish for 2 hours or until tender. Dredge the top with brown sugar, dot with bits of butter and return to hot oven or broiler for browning. Sprinkle with parsley before serving.

PINEAPPE COLE SLAW

To one cup finely shredded cabbage add 1-2 cup shredded pineapple, 1 stalk celery cut very fine and 1-2 green pepper parboiled and cooled and shredded. The pineapple should be drained. Mix with a dressing of whipped cream, sweet or sour, seasoned well with vinegar, salt and pepper. Or dress with a boiled dressing.

SPINACH SOUFFLE

1tbsp. shortening
1 tbsp. chopped onions
1 1-2 tbsp. flour
1 cup milk
2 cups chopped cooked spinach
1 cup chopped lettuce
3-4 tsp. salt.
Pepper
1 tsp. grated Italian cheese
4 egg yolks, unbeaten
4 egg whites

Melt the shortening in a saucepan. Add the chopped onions. Brown lightly. Stir in the flour. Add the milk slowly. Add the lettuce and spinach, cheese and seasoning. Heat. Remove from the fire. Mix in the unbeaten yolks one at a time. Cool. Fold in the stiffy beaten whites. Pour into a greased baking dish. Bake in a moderate oven for 50 minutes.

CELERY WITH BRUSSELS SPROUTS

4 cups Brussels sprouts
1 1-2 cups diced cerely
3 tbsp. butter
3 tbsp. flour
1-2 cups scalded milk
Salt and pepper

Remove the wilted leaves from the sprouts and soak in cold salted water a few minutes. Drain and cook in rapidly boiling salted water until tender (about 20 minutes). Melt the butter, add the celery and cook slowly for 5 minutes. Add the flour and milk as in making white sauce. Bring to boiling point. Add the sprouts, season with salt and pepper, heat thoroughly and serve.

HUMMEL TORTE

1-2 cup butter
1-3 cup powdered sugar
2 egg yolks
Grated rind of 1 lemon
1-2 tsp. baking powder
1 cup flour
2 egg whites
2 tbsp. powdered sugar
1-4 cup nutmeats

Cream butter and stir in sugar gradually, then the beaten egg yolks and grated lemon rind. Stir in flour which has been sifted with baking powder. Spread mixture over surface of two ungreased layer cake pans. Cover each layer with meringue made by beating egg whites until stiff and beating sugar in gradually. Sprinkle cinnamon, granulated sugar and chopped nutmeats over the top. Bake in a moderate oven for 20 minutes. While torte is baking prepare filling.

FILLING

1-2 cup sugar
1 tbsp. flour
1-8 tsp salt
1-4 cup nutmeats
1-2 pkg. dates
1 tbsp. lemon juice.

Mix sugar, flour and salt in a small saucepan: stir in boiling water and dates. Continue stirring until mixture thickens. Remove from stove; add lemon juice and nutmeats. Cool. Shortly before serving spread filling between layers of cooled torte. Six servings.

Plum Pudding the Crowning Glory Of the Christmas Feast

Tradition links giant plum puddings blazing with brandy and decked with holly with the celebration of Christmas. And our own tas'e tells us that there is good reason for the high place this delicacy holds. In serving it you may omit the final dash of brandy but you'll certainly want to use a pudding sauce in its place or to supplement its piquant flavor. Only one of the receipes given here is for plum puddings but the other has a real Christmas flavor.

PLUM PUDDING

2 1-2 cups flour
1-4 tsp. soda
3 tsp. baking powder
1-2 tsp. salt
1-2 tsp. nutmeg
1-2 tsp cinnamon
3-4 cup beef suet finely chopped or
1-2 cup butter
melted
1 cup molasses
1 cup seeded raisins, floured
1 cup milk
1-2 cup currants floured
1-2 cup citron sliced

Sift dry ingredients twice. Add the other ingredients in order given. Pour into buttered molds and steam 2 hours. Serve with hard sauce.

HARD SAUCE

One-third cup butter creamed with 1 cup powdered sugar until light and creamy. Add 1-2 teaspoon flavoring and beat again. grate nutmeg or orange peel on top.

Yes, Stews Have Individuality

No doubt the preparation of a savory stew is as great an accomplishment as the baking of a fluffy angel food cake. In fact, there is a chance to express individuality in a stew while an angel food to be right, is always the same.

One famous chef once said that all stews should be good, but no two alike. According to Inez S. Wilson, home economist, this is true, for there are as many different kinds of stews as there are people who make them. There are brown stews, light stews, stews with vegetables, stews with dumplings, oven stews, and so on ad infinitum. The combination of vegetables and the different seasonings make a large part of the variety.

The following recipes for stews make use of unusual seasonings:

Spiced Stew

2 pounds beef chuck, cut into pieces
flour for dredging
Lard for browning
3 onions
1-2 cup vinegar
4 talbespoons sugar
1-2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 bay-leaf
Salt
Pepper

Cut the meat into cubes, dredge with flour, and brown in hot lard. Slice the onions over it, and add enough water to nearly cover. To this add the seasonings atfer mixing the cinnamon and sugar with the vinegar, cover and bring slowly to the boiling point and then let simmer until the meat is tender, about two hours.

Lamb Stew with Vegetables

2 pounds lamb shoulder
Flour for dredging
Lard for browning
3 or 4 carrots
2 cups green or wax beans.
2 fresh tomatoes, or
1 cup canned tomatoes
1 Clove garlic
Salt and pepper

Have lamb shoulder cut into pieces for stew. Dredge with flour and brown in hot lard. Add 1 cup boiling water and let simmer for one hour. Then add carrots cut in quarters lengthwise, green or wax beans and tomatoes. Add more water if necessary. Cover and let simmer until done, about one hour longer. Add the cut clove of garlic to the stew just long enough for a little of its flavor to permeate the stew.

The L. A. W. Class, of the First Christian church, held its annual Christmas party at the church on Tuesday night, with 23 present. A busniess meeting was first held, followed by a devotional period. During the social hour contests were played, after which refreshments were served. Then followed exchange of gifts. The hostesses were: Mesdames Art Clark, E. F. Mouser, Ray Duncan, Jere Caverno, J. C. Davis, W. L. Righter, O. E. Lathom and T. F. Baker.

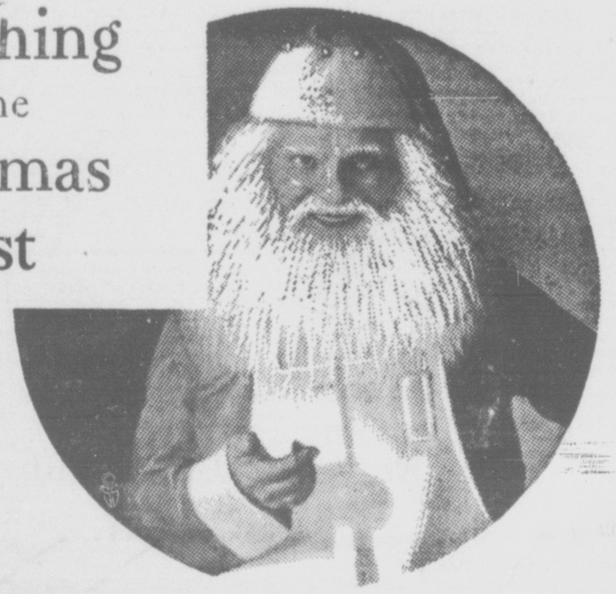
Mrs. T. C. McClure and Mrs. E P. Coleman, Jr., left Wednesday night for Boston, Mass., where they will visit their mother, Mrs. J. E. Hetherington, for two weeks. On Saturday evening Dr. McClure and Mr. Coleman will leave here for a week's visit in Boston.

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Everything for the Christmas Feast



It wouldn't be Christmas—somehow—if you didn't have everything and everything of the best . . . all the traditional goodies, from nuts and fruits to steaming plum pudding . . . so take advantage of the low prices and make it real "Old Fashioned!"

Sugar (100 pound bag $4.89) 20 pounds	$1.00
Lima Beans (25 pounds $1.75) 3 pounds	25c
Fancy Apple Sauce (Very special) 3 cans	25c
Fancy Marichino Cherries, 5 oz. jars, 2 jars	25c
Lima Beans (12 cans 95c) 3 cans	25c
Tomato Puree (small cans) 6 cans	25c
Campbell Tomato Juice, 3 cans	25c
Scott County Tomato Juice (family size), 2 cans	19c
Fresh Baltimore Oysters, Quart (Best for Cocktails, Stew, or Dressing)	49c
Fancy Pitted Dates, 8 ounces, 2 packages	23c
Currants, 8 ounces, 2 packages	23c
Xmas Tree, with stand, largest higher, each	
California Oranges, small size, dozen	19c
Xmas Candies (all kinds) 10c per lb and up	
Xmas Nuts, Good stock all kinds, prices right	
The very finest of California Bleached Celery only	10c
Real Iceberg Head Lettuce, white solid, pound	10c
Fresh Green Beans 3 pounds	20c
Good Roman Beauty Apples, Peck	40c
Wine sap Apples, U. S. Grade No. 1, Peck	65c

Long Green Cucumbers, Mango Peppers, Carrots, Radishes, Rhubarb, Celery, Cabbage, Leaf Lettuce, Brussell Sprouts, Cauliflower, Red Cabbage, Cranberries, Turnips.

Buy Nuts, Oranges, Apples, Candies, Fruits and all other Christmas "Goodies" here. You will find our stocks most complete and our prices right. Come and look—and we know you'll buy.

We have everything that goes in the Fruit Cake or candy Fruit Roll. Phone your order while stock is fresh and complete.

MEAT MARKET

Veal Steak or Roast, lb.,	12 1-2c
Pork Shoulders, half or whole, lb.	14c

Country Sausage, Backbone, and Spareribs, Country Butter
Dressed Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens, Fresh Oysters

HARDWARE

Bulldog Coaster Wagons	$3.89
Scooters, disk wheel, heavy rubber tires and foot brake,	$1.39
Basketballs good quality pebble grain leather, reg. $2.95,	$2.49
Christmas Tree Light bulbs, 2 for	5c

We have a nice assortment of pyrex ware.

See us for Electric Irons, Toasters, and Perculators, Remington and E-Z cutter Pocket Knives, Scout Knives, Hunting knives, Harmonicas, Air Rifles and Pop Guns, Pedal Bike and Velocipedes.

We invite you to compare our prices, and Service, with those of our competitors.

Kroger's The Complete Food Market

Cane Sugar, 10 pounds . **47c**

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CALUMET **Baking Powder** 1 lb. can **19c**

Crisco 1 lb. can **19c** 3 lb. can **53c**

Dates 1 pound cell. package **15c**

PUMPKIN 2 No. 2 cans **15c**

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Country Club **Spinach** No. 2 can **10c**

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Smoked Skinned Hams Country Club best-by-test half or whole, lb. **23c**

PURE PORK SAUSAGE Home made Links pound **15c** Bulk 2 lbs. **25c**

Lean, Tender **Pork Roast** pound **15c**

Lean, Tender **BEEF ROAST** lb. **13c** Choice cuts, lb.... **15c**

Lean, Tender **Boiling Beef** 2 pounds **15c**

Sugar Cured **Bacon** half or whole, pound **22c**

HIGH TEST WHIPPING CREAM ½ Pint 10c

BALLARD'S CANNED BISCUITS can 10c

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California Navel **Seedless Oranges** Large 126 size, dozen.....40c 216 size, dozen.....29c

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"DO YOU ever win anything in those contests you are always entering?" Muriel Wilson queried of her sister Agnes.

"Not yet," Agnes laughed. "But by the law of averages I should win something."

"Soon, I'd say," Muriel said grimly. "You've been entering contests of one kind and another ever since we were infants and mother entered you in a pretty baby contest."

"That's where I began my losing. If I'd won then I'd probably have kept on winning like these people we read about who live on what they make from contests."

"Phooey!" Muriel scoffed. "What makes you do it, anyway?"

"Just my love of adventure. I'm really a born gambler—in a discreet way, of course. That's why I write for my living, just to see if my brain children will find a place or come back home to me."

"Was it your love of adventure, or gambling spirit or whatever you call it, that made you turn down Harold Ryan three years ago when he came home from college with his cousin Fred to spend the holidays? Now, why did you do that, Agnes? He was everything everyone would want in a husband—looks, family, money, and aren't we always told that marriage is the great adventure?"

"Maybe it is an adventure but what sort of a gamble is it to marry



Harold Decided to Deliver the Prize in Person.

a man who already has everything. No. I preferred to gamble with my own career."

"And now that you've made a success where is the gamble in it?" Muriel carefully stuck a sprig of holly in the knot of her red tissue ribbon.

"Since you ask me so pointedly, Muriel dear, I think, perhaps, if Harold lost his money during the depression, as so many did, and if he were to present himself now as a man winning his way through his own efforts, I might trust myself to adventure along with him. But, I fancy, it is too late. He's probably found some less adventurous soul ere this."

"Most likely," Muriel answered, as she rose to answer the door bell which had been persistently ringing. "Guess we're home alone." She hurried down the stairs.

Five minutes later she was back, trying vainly to refrain from any show of excitement.

"Some one on business for you, Agnes. He's the persistent kind, insisted he had to see you right now."

"Oh, well, all right. I'll go down and get it over with." Agnes took off her smock and departed.

Muriel heard Agnes' surprised ejaculation, but it was some time before she was summoned to join the two in the living room below.

"Muriel is just dying to congratulate me," Agnes gayly greeted her younger sister. "Behold, sister mine, I've actually won in a contest. You see, Harold is managing editor now of the paper that was running this particular contest. When the judges were sort of stuck as to which of three people had won second prize they referred the matter to him and, recognizing your honorable sister's name among the three, he immediately decided in her favor and came, in person, to deliver it."

"But I thought it was for another reason I was to congratulate you." Muriel did not try to conceal her disappointment.

"There is," Harold answered promptly. "I let Agnes speak first. But the reason I have for bringing Agnes the prize in person was to see if I would win this prize person."

Just then the door of the room adjoining was thrown open and another overcoated young man appeared. This time it was Agnes' turn to show astonishment:

"Of all things, Fred Ryan! Have you been there all the time?"

"Sure thing. I came with Harold, a sort of moral support. You see, Muriel and I have our wedding all planned. Let's make it a double one!"

To which bright idea they all joyfully agreed, hugging one another and shouting "Merry Christmas!"

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Personal And Society Items From Matthews

Mrs. G. D. Englehart shopped in Cape Girardeau Saturday.

Miss Nota Watkins of Sikeston spent Sunday with Miss Verna King.

Mrs. Donald Story and daughter Martha Ann, spent Thursday nite in Cape Girardeau with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. E. C. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perdue of Morley spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Tulley of St. Louis arrived Sunday for a visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roe Hill. Mrs. Tulley, before her recent marriage was Miss Bess Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Alsup and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deane, Jr., shopped in Cape Girardeau Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Pilante of Cape Grardeau spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sutton.

Mrs. Capitola Christian and Mrs. Gene Rich of Cape Girardeau spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Story. Mrs. Christian is Mrs. Story's sister.

Mrs. Albert Greer and children of McMullin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Randolph and little daughter, Jane Ann and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith and little daughter, Norma Jean, left Thursday for a week's visit in England, Ark., with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Johnson and children of Laforge were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Depree and family Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Crosby and little daughter, Gloria Belle of Hollyoke, Colorado, arrived Tuesday for an extended visit with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Critchlow.

Miss Deene Whitten spent the week end in Cape Girardeau with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hope.

The first quarterly conference was held at the Methodist church Monday night, the new presiding elder, H. S. Bryan being in charge. Rev. Bryan takes the place of Rev. Ray C. Kleiser, who resigned to become pastor of a church in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Dyer visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Depree in Sikeston Sunday evening. They also attended the Malone Theatre.

Miss Hope Mills delightfully entertained the freshman class of which she is a member with a Christmas party, Monday evening at her home. A beautiful Christmas tree held a gift for each member present and after various games were played these were handed out by Santa Claus in the person of Mr. Mills. Refreshments were in keeping with the holiday season were served.

Miss Bernice Sutton, who has been attending the State University at Columbia, arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sutton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Binford and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Deane, shopped in Cape Girardeau Tuesday.

Mrs. A. F. Deane and Mrs. Lottie Johnson shopped in Sikeston Tuesday.

A revival is now in progress at the Nazerene church. Everybody is invited to attend.

A community program and Christmas tree will be given at the high school gymnasium Christmas Eve. Everyone is invited to come and bring any gift they wish to put on the tree. The program is being given by members of the Methodist and Christian churches.

Personal And Society Items From Vanduser

Rev. O. C. Lewis and wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Duncan and family were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Witt moody.

Millard Mize of Matthews spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mize.

Mrs. Ben Woodward is visiting Rev. and Mrs. Ollie Lewis, at East Prairie this week.

Audrey Unsell spent the day with Gene Berry, Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Hency spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, near the Hooe School House.

R. V. Mize spent from Friday till Tuesday with relatives at Morley. Mrs. Doris Grady and little daughter Marietta returned Cape Girardeau spent Sunday with

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Duncan and Mrs. Gladys Thompson shopped in Sikeston Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dame and daughter of Crowder spent the day Sunday at the Bass Fields home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dines Hals and son Jack, and grandson, J. D. Thompson spent Saturday night at the Bob Hesselrode home near Charleston.

Beatrice Mize visited at Sikeston last week.

Luella Woodward spent the week end with Francis Woodward.

The Church of God is planning to give a Christmas program Sunday evening and the school is planning a program for Friday afternoon.

GLEANERS CLASS

The Gleaners Class of the Methodist Church was entertained Wednesday evening, at the church, by Circle Four of which Mrs. Ben Ritter, is chairman.

A business meeting was held first, presided over by the president, Mrs. E. J. Keith. This week, a box will be sent to the orphans at the Methodist Home in St. Louis which this class has adopted. During next week, this orphan and his brother, who has also been adopted by another class in the church, will visit in Sikeston at the different members homes.

A program was given, as follows: Reading, Mrs. John Fox; vocal solo, Mrs. H. M. Kendig; pay, entitled "Grandmother's Mistletoe", Those taking part in the play were, Mrs. L. R. Burns, Mrs. Elmos Taylor, Mrs. Roy Wagner and Mrs. Harry Dudley.

After the program, gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

This was a very enjoyable party, and was attended by fifty members.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the tragic death of Vincent LaCour. We thank those for the beautiful floral offerings and those who sang and furnished cars. Also Rev. C. F. Transue for his comforting words, and Welsh for their efficient service. May God's richest blessings be upon you all.

It was sad indeed the way you had to die,
Without a chance to say goodbye.
Your spirit flew before we knew
That you from us had gone.
If you had raised your dying head
And bade us all a farewell
The blow would not have been so hard
To those who loved you so well.
Sadly missed by Mr. and Mrs. B. L. LaCour and children, and Ada Mays.

48 ATTEND GLEANERS CHRISTMAS PARTY WED.

Forty-eight members and visitors were present to enjoy a Christmas party given by the Gleaners Class of the local Methodist church at the church Wednesday evening, December 19. Circle No. 2, with Mrs. Ben Ritter as leader, were hostesses at the party, and furnished a delightful program for the event. The program consisted of a playlet, "Grandmother and the Mistletoe", with Mesdames L. R. Burns, H. E. Dudley, Elmos Taylor and Roy Wagner taking part; a reading, "The Backseat Driver", by Mrs. John Fox; a vocal solo, "Silent Night", Mrs. H. M. Kendig; and a piano solo, "Christmas Eve," by Mrs. Tanner Dye.

Gifts were exchanged and lovely refreshments in keeping with the holiday season were served All report a very lovely time.

Members are especially urged to attend cass each Sunday morning to hear the lesson expounded so thoroughly and impressively by their teacher, Mrs. H. E. Dudley. An invitation is also extended to those women who do not attend Sunday school elsewhere to enjoy the fellowship and inspiration received in this class.

SEMO RELIEF CLERKS ATTEND SCHOOL HERE

About thirty relief commodity clerks, record clerks, and their assistants of fourteen Southeast Missouri counties came here Thursday morning for a school of instruction held in the district relief administrative offices on the second floor of the city hall.

The session was one of a series of similar ones being conducted throughout the state now by Elmer Mace, state be shrdlu hmm Elmer Mace, state relief commodity clerk, Clifford Fears, auditor of the state commodity department, and Harvey Harrison, state statistical information head, all of Jefferson City. Mr. Mace presided at Thursday's meeting here.

The school was held to show county commodity and record clerks differences in their individual records and those kept at the state headquarters of the Missouri Relief and Reconstruction Commission and to intitute a uniform system of keeping records.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 19, 1934

Dear Santa:

I want to write you a few lines this year. I would like to have a BB gun, a watch and some nuts, apples, oranges and a little candy. I am in the third grade at school. I'm nine years of age. Santa please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Leonard Carroll.

A LAST MINUTE SUGGESTION

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WATCHES	TOILET SETS
CHAINS	STERLING SILVER RINGS
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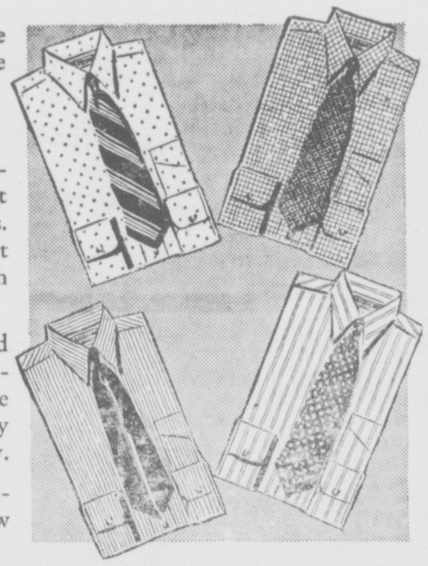
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Give Comfort this Christmas!

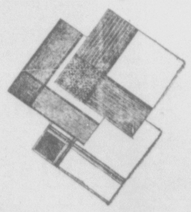
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Christmas this year promises to be a day of practical gifts. Considerations of thrift, of usefulness and of actual needs of others will be paramount—And no gift is more practical, none more filled with the real spirit of the holiday season than a gift of food.

Good things to eat have always been given with pride and received with pleasure. Then, too, there are many people this year who will extend their Christmas giving beyond the family circle to homes where need threatens to rob the holidays of their joy.

For a small expenditure governed by your own choice you can get from your local independent grocer a full case or an assorted case of canned fruits, vegetables, milk, meats, fish or whatever delicacy you select.

Everybody will welcome a Christmas gift which will fill the pantry shelf with wholesome, appetizing foods and radiate happy remembrances for many a day.

Buy these from your local independent grocer, including in your selection a generous supply of the brands which have become so famous in this territory.

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MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

JACKSON-CAPE GIRARDEAU TELEPHONE

Perhaps no modern industry in Missouri has had more romantic origins than that of the telephone. One would scarcely have thought that within approximately one year after the Emperor Don Pedro of Brazil had brought to the attention of the American public the revolutionary invention of Alexander Graham Bell on display at the Philadelphia Centennial Exposition in 1876—an invention that had hitherto been almost ignored until Don Pedro's amazement had directed attention to it—that the two Missouri towns of Jackson and Cape Girardeau would be in actual telephonic communication. Such, however, is the fact. The Jackson-Cape Girardeau line, the first long distance telephone line in Missouri, according to records so far available, was completed December 18, 1877, fifty-seven years ago this week. Now, fifty-seven years later, Missouri ranks ninth in the number of telephones in the United States—a nation which has eight times the telephone density, in relation to population, of the whole of Europe.

The evidence for the claim to the first telephone line in the State for the historic towns of Jackson and Cape Girardeau, is to be credited to Mr. Frank A. McGuire, pioneer editor of the Jackson Missouri Cash Book, who chronicled the historic event.

The decision to build the Jackson-Cape Girardeau line was made October 1, 1877, at a meeting of the stock subscribers held at the county court house in Jackson, where, after some discussion, it was decided to install a telephonic instead of a telegraphic line. Credit for this important decision belongs to Mr. B. S. Ferguson, a young man who was very much interested in the teephone as a new invention. Immediately following the decision, a meeting of the managers elected Mr. Ferguson to collect the subscriptions and decided to commence work upon the line at an early date.

December 18, 1877, the long distance Jackson- Cape Girardeau telephone line was completed. The event is noted as follows in the Jackson Cash-Book issue of December 20: "Jackson is in telephograhpic communication with the outside world. Messrs. Will H. Wheeler of the Cape, and T. F. Wheeler and B. S. Ferguson of this place, deserve great credit for the energy and determination which they have manifested in the enterprise. It is finished, and although the world at large may not be so much interested in it as in the completion of the great Trans-Continental Railroad, it is all the same to the people of Jackson."

Thus, according to the available records, the Jackson-Cape Girardeau telephone line precedes by several months, the telephone exchanges established in Hannibal and St. Louis, and the line from Columbia to Rocheport in 1878, and by still greater length of time other pioneer Missouri telephone systems established in Kansas City and Ashland in 1879, and in Booneville in 1883. It should be said, however, that the Jackson-Cape Girardeau line proved to be unsatisfactory and was later transformed into a telegraphic line so that its existence was brief.

Relative to the methods of pioneer telephony, Mr. Harry B. MacMeal in his recently released book: "The Story of Independent Thelephony " writes most interestingly: "One or two men in a telephoneless town would decide to build an exchange—but they lacked money needed for the whole operation. Then a canvass would be begun—the merchants, the town doctor and livery stable owner would be approached until cash had been pledged to buy the equipment.

Sometimes the neighboring farms would be given service by extending lines from the town; or farmers themselves would form a group, pool their resources, buy wire and instuments, and install their own lines. Some of these earlier farm systems had no town connections at all. Some of them had no poles or special wires, barbed wires fences being used to conduct the electric current and in wet weather, there being poor insulation, they didn't conduct.

"It is interesting to note the small expense involved in the establishment of those little telephone systems, in many cases requiring only three to five instruments and an outlay of perhaps one hundred dollars. Others of course, were more ambitious, having switchboards and a complete exchange systems."

These lines might well have been written of the early pioneer systems of Missouri, and of the energy, ingenuity, enthusiasm, and determiniation that went into their construction. It was these pioneers systems that did so much to break down isolation, to widen immeasureably the lives of the people, and to make possible the present modern telephone system of Missouri.

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Building a Better State

Care of the Feeble Minded

By Uncle Alec (Alexander Jackson)

Like the Deaf and the Blind, Feeble minded children cannot get along in the common schools, so special schools must be provided for them. But there are so many that the State Schools have not room for all. Many common schools now have special classes, often called "opportunity classes," in which the teaching is chiefly manual.

In dealing with the feeble minded the most important thing to remember is that no matter how mature they may seem to be in body, in mind they are always, and always will be, children.

I wish it were possible for every body to know what a happy and cheerful place a well managed State School for the feeble minded can be, The pupils are divided into groups according to their ability to learn. Some can go as high as the sixth grade. To some the simplest book learning is impossible but all except the idiots, can learn to do something useful. What they learn to say they often soon forget. What they learn to do they remember better, so teaching is mostly by doing.

A big boy with the body of a man and the mind of a ten-year old, can learn a simple trade. He may make a comparatively good shoemaker or gardener. So with the girls. They learn to be assistant cooks, waitresses, seamstresses or kind and patient nurses for the idiots who must be treated like babies, even if they are full grown.

In a well managed school, which has been going long enough to have some trained inmates, there is no place for a paid employee of the laboring grade. All paid employees are teachers, trainers, foremen or forewomen. The children do all the housework and much of the mechanical work of the institution.

Many of the children who come have never learned to play and play is the normal activity of a child. So teaching to play is as important as teaching to work. everything that can be, is done to music, and most of the children learn to sing. Grace before meals and betime prayers are sung in unison. Some get to be quite good musicians. Brass bands for the boys and string orchestras for the girls are common. They have the dances and other entertainments and they celebrate the public holidays with zeal. The Fourth of July and Christmas day are grand days in a State School. Many of them as they grow to manhood and womanhood and have had years of good training, go out into the world and become very good help on many a farm and in many a household.

Just one other thing is now being done for the feeble minded in many States. If feeble minded people become parents their children will be feeble minded. So before they are discharged they are sterilized. This is a simple and safe operation. It is not only good for the community in preventing the increase of defectiveness, but is for the benefit of the feeble minded themselves. This plan is steadily becoming more popular and in a few years it will be general. Then shall we see a great reduction in the number not only of the feeble minded, but of the Insane, epileptics, and petty criminals.

WATER PIPE NOISE WARNS OF TROUBLE

Vibration May Loosen Connection, Cause Leaks and Pipe-Splitting

Noise in water pipes give the home owner due warning of possible later trouble. Accompanied by vibration, this condition may result in loosened connections, leaks and even pipe-splitting if allowed to continue. Money borrowed under the terms of the National Housing Act from local financial institutions may cover investigation and repair of this trouble along with the rest of the reconditioning for which the loan is made.

Causes of pipe noises are varied. The "chatter" due to loose or worn washers or other parts in the faucet is one of the commonest and easiest to correct. It can be remedied by replacing or tightening the loose washer or part.

Rumbling in hot water lines, especially when the hot water supply tank is heated by a coil in the heater's fire box, is caused by steam, formed in the coil, forcing its way through the water in the coil as it rises to the tank. Coil connections should slope upward to allow the steam easy escape

Rumbling also occurs when a faucet is opened with the water boiling. Water under pressure will not vaporize as soon when heated above the boiling point. When the pressure is relieved by opening the faucet, steam will instantly form and rumbling results from its forcing its way out through the water.

The third cause is so-called "water hammer". This is due to the momentum of flowing water being suddenly checked by the closing of a faucet. The flow in the far end will continue and cause a rise in pressure and hammering of loose parts in the faucet. Air cushions formed by extending the pipe above the top faucet and capping the end will take up this momentum. Other devices are on the market to correct this condition. Faucets may be injured and pipes split from water hammer. A competent plumber can analyze and correct any of these conditions and may save costly repairs rsulting from leaks and other defects in the system.

Personal and Society News From Morley

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Rarter visited the latter's brother at Brown Spur Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Smiley was at Diehlstadt Saturday to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Suter of Detriot, Mich.

Mrs. J. W. McClendon returned to her home at Gould, Ark., Sunday after a four months visit

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Darter visitwood and here.

Miss Mildred Lynn of Centralia, Ill., visited her aunt, Mrs. Leonard Ford, Jr., Friday and Saturday.

Mr. U. A. Emerson left Sunday with relatives at Charleston, Leadto take a course of baths for his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Morgan of Hayti were guests of Mrs. U. A. Emerson the first of the week.

Word has reached here of the employment of Miss Mildred Huffstedler, formerly of this place, at the Lucy Lee Hospital in Poplar Bluff. Miss Huffstedler graduated from the Morley high school with the class of 1931 and entered nurses training at Mo. Baptist Hospital in St. Louis a few weeks later from which she graduated recently.

Mrs. Belle Wallace returned to her home at Charleston after visiting her sister, Mrs. T. L. Anderson for several days.

Mr. J. W. Zimmerman and Mrs. Mary Mull were called to Illnois last week by the death of their sister.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Black and daughter, Miss Virginia of Vanduser were Morley visitors, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Priscilla Coleman of Bloomfield stopped here a short while Saturday while enroute to Oran on business.

Mrs. Eugenia Tomlinson went to Oran Monday to be with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Clemson.

Jim Mack Emerson and Paul Smith of Charleston who started to Florida last Monday, are spending some time in Tampa, according to late reports.

A new roof on the Ralph Vaughn home and on that of Mrs. Lutie Leslie are recent improvements.

The monthly program meeting and Christmas party of the Morley Study Club will be held Friday with Mrs. Anna Beardslee.

Members of the Charleston Methodist Episcopal church choir, assisted by some East Prairie church choir members, will present a Christmas cantata, "The Holy Infant", at the East Prairie Methodist church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The cantata, which is being directed by Mrs. Moffatt Latimer of Charleston, will be given at the Charleston church Sunday evening.

The belief, prevalent among some persons, that figures obtained by the 1935 farm census are to be used for purposes of taxation is entirely erroneous, says Earl B. Smith of the Missouri College of Agriculture. The figures given to the census enumerator can never be used for taxation purposes and are entirely independent of any other effort to obtain figures regarding the farm business. The records of individual farms are kept strictly confidential, unless the farmer gives express permission to use them for any other purpose such as establishing an allotment under the Agricultural Adjustment Program.

CHARLESTON WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB ENTERTAINS

One of the most enjoyable parties of the pre-Christmas season was given at the home of Mrs. C. L. Joslyn on the evening of December 13, when the members of the Woman's Study Club entertained the Business and Professional Girls' Club of this city. The program of the evening was opened with prayer by Mrs. W. S. Love, chaplain of the Woman's Study Club. Miss Ellen Ruth Goodin gave a reading, "The Story of Santa Claus", after which three Christmas carols were sung, under the direction of Mrs. Bryan Dunaway. Mrs. W. S. Love gave VanDyke's latest Christmas story, "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem," The program was closed with a solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem." sung by Mrs. Garland Noland.

The guests were then invited into the dining room, where they were served a delicious plate lunch. After they had re-assembled, they heard a knock at the door, and saw Mrs. Santa Claus enter carrying a large suitcase filled with gifts for all present. The house was artistically decorated in colors appropriate to the Christmas season. A beautifully lighted Christmas tree formed the central decoration of the dining room, the same color scheme was carried out in the refreshments.

Mrs. P. A. Kasey presided at the tea table, and the hostess was assisted by Mrs. W. C. Crow and Mrs. Garland Noland.

FOUND—On highway 61 near Fairview school, leather key case containing 3 keys, a bottle opener, and Iowa State Traveling Men's Ass'n. tag. Owner may redeem same by calling at this office, identifying keys and paying for this notice. 3t-24.

FRANKLIN MOORE ESCAPES INJURY IN CAR ACCIDENT

Franklin Moore escaped injury Thursday afternoon when an automobile he was driving south on Highway 61 was struck headon by a truck driven by Stennis Clemmons, a negro, three and a half miles south of Sikeston.

At the time of the accident, Mr. Moore was driving south on the pavement and Clemmons north. Seeing that the negro was pulling onto his side of the highway to pass another northbound car, Mr. Moore headed his automobile toward the west shoulder. Instead of remaining on the concrete, however, Clemmons also turned onto the shoulder, Mr. Moore said.

Partly because he had turned his truck wheels sharply, Clemmons' machine was turned over after the two cars had collided. Neither driver was hurt, but both the truck and the automobile were badly damaged.

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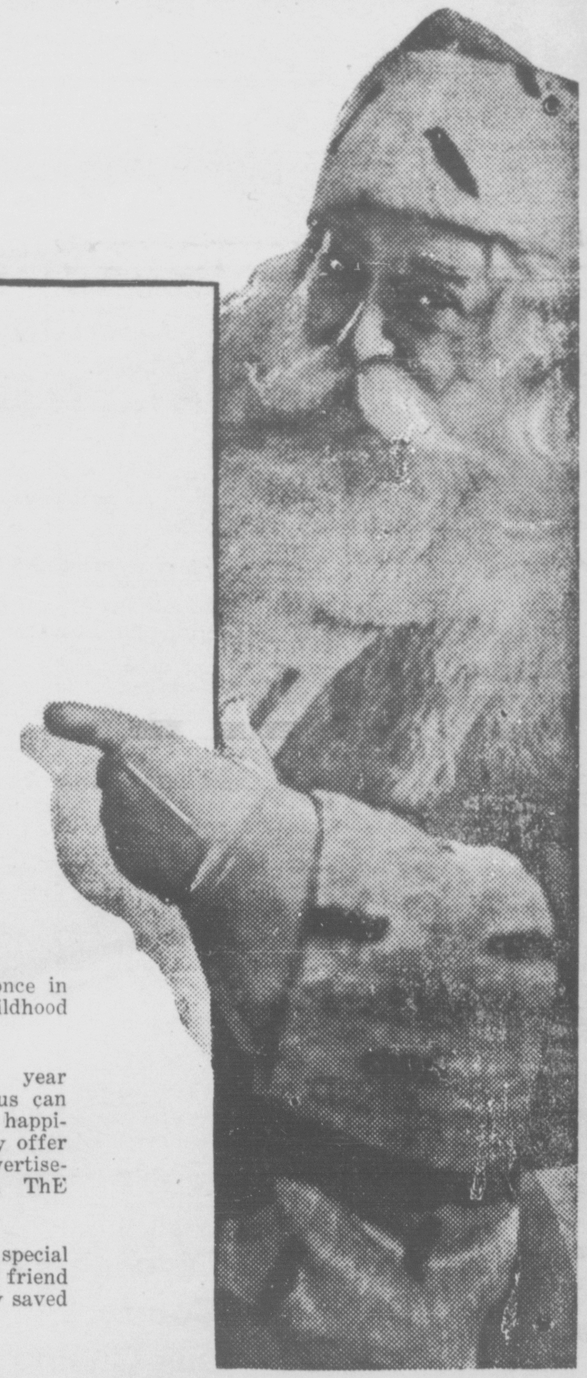
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Let's Give the Kiddies a Right Jolly Merrie Christmas

They are only children once in their lives and at best childhood is brief.

Things are so cheap this year that even the poorest of us can distribute a little holiday happiness. And if Old Santa may offer you a a tip, watch the advertisements of merchants in ThE Sikeston Standard.

They always advertise special purchases and as my old friend Ben Franklin said, "A penny saved is a penny earned."

Save time and money by watching the advertisements in the Sikeston Standard

SHOP EARLY *in the day in the month*

NEWS BRIEFS FROM AFIELD AND STREAM

Sales of federal duck stamps in Missouri up to October 25, totaled 5,252, a report from the Biological Survey says. Eighteen states reported 182,407 of the dollar stamps sold. Minnesota with a sale of 32,433 stamps heads the list of the 18 states. Every person over 16 years of age hunting ducks, geese, or brant, must have on his person one of the stamps, but the law does not pply to hunters of other game. The duck stamp must be affixed by the postmaster to your state hunting license.

The fall meeting of the Audubon Society of Missouri will be held at Columbia, Friday, December 7th, in conjunction with the Missouri Academy of Science meeting held at the same place, December 6th to 8th.

Well over 200 species of birds were identified in Missouri during the annual fall checkup on resident and migratory birds, Dr. Rudolf Bennitt, secretary of the Audubon Society, reveals. Despite inclement weather 26 parties went into the field in 18 different cities and towns in the state. This is a remarkable total for a fall trip, the first of its kind ever undertaken by the state society.

"The time to protect a species is while it is still common; the way to prevent the extinction of a species is never to let it become rare," a bulletin of the Emergency Conservation Committee says, calling the attention of the country to the Bald Eagle, our national emblem, which is rapidly progressing toward extinction. "The Bald Eagle seems likely to be one of the next birds to follow the wild pigeon and the heath hen," it is pointed out. While the Eagle is on the protected list in Missouri reports continue to come in of its destruction by uninformed hunters. Between 25 and 50 eagles are reported killed annually in Missouri.

A practical plan is being evolved to unify fish hatchery activities in states having both state and federal hatcheries, bringing them into closer contact and cooperation, Frank T. Bell, U. S. Commissioner of Fisheries, reveals in a bulletin just issued on "Formation of a National Fish Policy." Five regional zones, composed of states having common fisheries problems, is proposed in order to work out a cooperative program in building up our streams and waterways.

The Missouri State Planning Board has submitted its preliminary report to the National Planning Board and is now prepared to release it to the interested citizens of this state. They may be obtained for the cost of printing, or $1.00 per copy, at its office, 420 Capitol Building, Jefferson City, Missouri. Many pages of the report are devoted to conservation, parks and recreation.

Food and cover are the prime requisites of wildlife the world over. The sooner this is recognized the better. We cannot have wildlife without food and cover. Game species comprise an important part of the wildlife of any country. This is especially true of the United States, a nation nurtured and reared by wild game, the American Game Association declares.

Emergency winter feeding will be an urgent necessity over a great part of our country this year. The drought has seriously reduced the food and cover plants over wide areas. Emergency winter feed under such cricumstances is the only recourse. Sportsmen's organizations, boy scouts, farmers, and elevators are asked to cooperate in a plan to save our quail and other wild life. Such material as elevator screenings, fanning mill waste, cull cane tops, hedge balls, black locust seed, acorns, nuts, etc., which is discarded as waste can be used to good advantage.

"The value of maintaining bird populations in agricultural areas is now recognized as of economic importance," the Biological Survey points out. While birds no not always make their diets entirely of insects, the quantity of insect pests consumed by birds is large, and many farmers, especially in the quail territory, realize this. The past season's drought has left very little food for wild birds for the coming winter. Hence, the bringing through of a maximum breeding stock of birds is going to mean the preservaton of one more insect control agency.

The U. S. Biological Survey, Washington, D. C., has prepared two wildlife leaflets which should be of vaue to those in the corn and cotton belts. They are Bi-1326 on Planting for Wildlife in the Corn belt, and Bi-1327 Planting for Wildlife in the Cotton Belt. They contain excellent suggestions for this purpose.

Mistletoe Is Obsolete

By Helen Rowland

The average man's idea of everlasting punishment for sinners would probably b ean eternity of Christmas shopping, always at the rush hour.

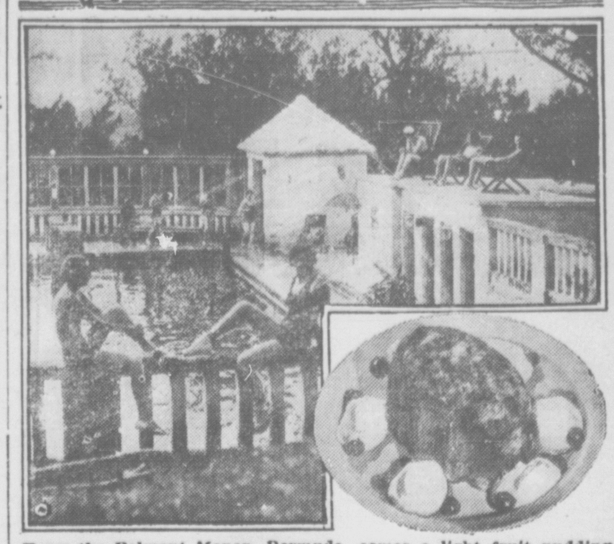
A woman may not wish her newly-divorced husband to suffer says Reno Ruth, but still it hurts her vanity to see him gazing happily and self-complacently into another woman's eyes.

A girl may spend more money on Christmas gifts than did her mother, who made them by hand—but think what a lot she saves on mistletoe in these days when a kiss is its own excuse.

The honeymoon is not over until the bride lets the moths get into her husband's evening clothes because backing him into a dinner coat is such a struggle that she doesn't care what happens to them.

Nowadays, a girl seems to imagine that a man must sample her kisses before he can discover whether or not he wants a life-interest in them. But, even at a food show, one can get awfully fed-up on "samples."

FAVORITE RECIPES of FAMOUS CHEFS



From the Belmont Manor, Bermuda, comes a light fruit pudding.

American housewives who are returning from visits to the sunny islands of Bermuda these days are bringing with them glowing descriptions of a jellied fruit pudding, and some of them are far-sighted enough to bring the recipe with them.

Especially at this time of the year, with holidays and winter parties, is this variation of a fruit pudding welcome. It is simple and tasty, and easy to prepare.

Instead of a heavy, "cannon ball" dessert after a special winter feast, a traditional fruit pudding made with pineapple gelatin dessert is a lighter touch, that something "different" which adds so much to a dinn It appeals to the eye and the appetite both.

Mr. A. P. Johnson, the host at the Belmont Manor and Golf Club, where this dessert is so popular with golfers and swimmers and bicycle riders, was prevailed upon to disclose how it is made. The proportions he gives here are for home use, preparing for a party of six.

JELLIED FRUIT PUDDING

1 package gelatin dessert (pineapple flavor)
2 cups water
boiling water
1-8 teaspoon salt
1-2 cup seedless raisins
1-4 cup pecans, broken in pieces
2 tablespoons maraschino cherries, sliced
1 cup soft bread crumbs

Add raisins to one cup water and bring to boil. Drain and measure water. Add enough more boiling water to make one cup and use to dissolve gelatin. Add salt and second cup of cold water. Chill until very thick but not set. Add raisins and remaining ingredients. Pour into mould and chill until firm. Serve with whipped cream and maraschino cherries. Serves 6



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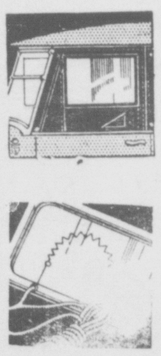
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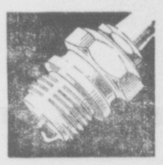
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Father's Ingenuity

A Christmas Story

By Alice B. Palmer

'TWAS just two weeks before Christmas and there did not appear to be any material means of attaining the necessary funds for the great celebration.

"Oh dear, if John would only sell that old heirloom," thought Marty Armstrong.

Just then Betty and Jerry came charging in from high school.

"Oh, Mother, I just can't wait until Christmas. I know you are going to get that tuxedo for me. I can see it now, oh boy!" exclaimed Jerry.

"And I can see that party gown, Mother, with slippers to match," said Betty, sweetly.

"It's no use expecting anything this year, children," said mother. "Your father has made some unwise investments."

"Here comes father, now"

"Hello, everybody, what's up? Why the frigid atmosphere?" queried father.

"Mother says there's to be no Santa Claus this year," ventured Jerry.

The next few days John Armstrong was trying to figure it all out. Perhaps he had been a little too negligent in the past few years concerning his family. Now he realized that he must make amends. Christmas bells were chiming, reminding the Armstrong family that 'twas truly Christmas eve. Mother and the children were thinking of the things they were not going to get for Christmas. But Father was chuckling inwardly. In fact, he could scarcely keep from bursting out laughing; but that, of course, would never do.



The silence was broken by the jingling of sleigh-bells. They hurried out en masse to see what it was all about.

Were they all dreaming? There stood an old-fashioned *bobsled. Out* stepped Santa Claus.

"Why, Uncle Joe, what are you doing here on Christmas eve?" exclaimed Mother, all excited.

"I've come to take you and the family for a ride. So bundle up and hop in, without delay."

The sleigh stopped with a jerk, right in front of a stucco bungalow all brilliantly lighted up with Christmas decorations.

"Why, I never knew the Thompson home was for rent. It has stood vacant so long," said Mother, with great concern.

"A friend of mine from the office just purchased it," said Father, with a convincing smile.

"We were invited over to see it in its new regalia. But you were all so out of sorts that I called up Uncle Joe and ordered the Santa Claus ruse."

They all laughed most heartily. They couldn't help it—Christmas or no Christmas! They had to give father credit for his clever ingenuity.

Out they hopped beaming with the Christmas spirit.

Father took the lead and rang the doorbell, but no one answered.

Then he actually turned the knob as they all stepped back in protestation.

"Merry Christmas!" shouted Father.

"Don't you understand? Oh, hang it all, anyway! This is your Christmas present," said father, sinking into the closest easy chair and gasping for breath.

"What?" they all exclaimed.

Then father explained it all to them—how he had sold the old heirloom, purchased the home and furnished it.



They marveled!

"How could you? When did you? How did you know just what we liked?" All these questions were fired at father at once.

Father had done a perfect job. But that wasn't all. He led them proudly into the living room where stood the real host of the evening—the gorgeous Christmas tree. Needless to say Jerry received his "tux,' Betty her gown and slippers and mother a set of silverware, a long-desired luxury.

Then descended such a shower of Christmas hugs and kisses, gratitude and joy that dear old father was practically showered under. But he enjoyed his Christmas presents better than all the material gifts he had bestowed upon his family; and he felt that his heart was filled with enough Christmas cheer to last forever.

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This One Should Be Easy For Santa



When Santa Claus comes to a big chimney like this, his job is easy. Even the bicycle will go down without a hitch. The cameraman hid on top of a New York apartment building to get this unusual shot.

Personal And Society Items From Kewanee

Miss Vivian Adams of Sikeston visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. McCallister. The three attended a basketball game at Cape Girardeau Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. James Spradling and son, Jimmy, and Miss Lillian Anderson were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Barrey of Pharris Ridge.

Ora Bernice and Mamie Roper of near Canalou spent Sunday night with the Bird girls.

De Lorme Presley spent Sunday night with Lucille Beeson.

Fern Thompson spent Saturday night and Sunday with Addie Rhodes.

Gilberta Bond was a week end guest of Cora Schuerenberg of White Oak.

Mildred Byers spent Saturday night and Sunday with Emma Martin. Emma has been absent from school the last two weeks due to cuts on both hands caused by a broken window glass falling on them at school. The wounds were so severe that she has been unable to use her hands, but they are improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gunn and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gunn and little daughter spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Merryman.

Mrs. E. H. Beeson spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. G. H. Sheridan.

Virginia Schuerenberg spent Sunday night with Lorean Beeson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Vandevented of Leroy, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Bond Sunday.

The Matthews basketball teams came to Kewanee last Friday night; the Matthews girls won with a score of 20-21, and the Matthews boys with a score of 5 to 26. Kewanee will play the New Madrid teams there this Wednesday afternoon.

There will be a program and exchange of gifts in the 6th grade room Friday afternoon.

Miss Dorothy Mallory is sponsoring a party for the 7th and 8th grades in the gymnasium this Wednesday night.

The Christmas program will be given in the gymnasium this Thursday night, December 20, at 7:30 o'clock. The Sunday school is to furnish the tree and decorations, and the school the program. The following topics were discussed in the Young People's League Sunday night: "Council Machinery and Radio Programs" by Kenneth Twitty, "Some of Good Things Done", by Mariette Twitty, "Origins of Federal Council and Council Membership", by Mildred Holder, and "Object of the court", by Lucille Beeson. There were nineteen present, and there was a total collection of eighty-two cents.

Personal And Society Items From Morehouse

Mr. Jack Paisley of Hannibal, Mo., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ira Menees.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Clayton shopped in Cape Girardeau Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Rhines visited the latter's parents in Dexter Sunday.

J. W. Wilkins visited in Oscoela Ark., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fisher and family spent the week end in Cape Girardeau with relatives.

Fred Sheeter, who is attending school at Columbia, Mo., is home for Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Wm. Mathis and daughters shopped in Cape Girardeau Saturday.

The Epworth League from here attended a League rally at Illmo, Monday evening. A nice talk was made by Mr. Montgomery of Jackson. Everyone had a nice time.

Lora and Jean Maxwell, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Maxwell spent the week end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maxwell, who live in the country west of Morehouse.

Rev. A. J. Mitchell and daughter, Beulah of Malden spent a short while here Thursday. They were accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. Trovillion.

Miss Flora Wiliams and Theodore Williams both of this city were married Saturday evening, December 15, by Rev. A. C. Sullivan, pastor of the Morehouse Baptist church.

Mrs. Taylor Todd and Mrs. Zella Legate made a business trip to Cape Girardeau Wednesday.

Mr. Charley Woffard of Jackson and Jim Phillips of Marion, Ky., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Woffard here.

Mrs. S. U. Simmons of Dudley, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lack and family Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Owings, Mrs. Lacy and son, Woodron, , took her home

The senior matrons Sunshine club met Tuesday at Mrs. Bill Dillon's. They drew names last Tuesday and this week each one received a Christmas gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Hutson and Thomas Atkinson visited friends and relatives in Poplar Bluff Sunday.

There will be a Christmas program at the Nazarene church Christmas night. It will be sponsored by the Sunday school.

Basil King of St. Louis spent the week end here with friends.

Brown Hinson who is attending college at Missouri University, at Columbia, Mo., has returned home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Masterson of Hayden visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wallace here Thursday.

Orval Sanders was a New Madrid visitor over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Yoger of this place are to leave this week for Seaport California, where they will make their home.

Mrs. A. F. Stanley of New Madrid was a visitor here Tuesday.

Mrs. Ralph Masterson from San Angelo, Texas, who has been visiting here has now returned home.

Verlin Atkins, aged 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milan Atkins, died Friday morning, after a long illness. He had attended school here for several years, up until last year when he fell ill. Funeral services were conducted at the Pentecostal church here Sunday afternoon by Rev. John Fowler. He is survived by his parents, one brother and one sister. Interment made i the Sikeston cemetery

Among the out-of-town people to attend the funeral were Mrs. Gus Smith, and Mrs. Clarence Sharkley of Panama, Okla, and Mr. and Mrs. Clay Robbins of Poplar Bluff.

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Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 18, 1934

Dear Santa:

I'm a little girl 9 years old. Will you please bring me a trunk, a pair of gloves and a pair of galoshes, a set of dishes and some candy and fruit.

Your friend,
Mary Evelyn Chapman.

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Mrs. Frances Steele shopped in Sikeston Wednesday.

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Santa, Please Remember—

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 19, 1934

Dear Santa:
I hope you are not cold, are you?. If you are you can come in my house and warm.

This is what I want for Christmas:
I want a gun and some games, and a truck, and something to wear I want a Dick Tracy outfit and a gasoline station.

Your friend,
Mary Lou Swanagon.

203 Moore Ave
Sikeston, Mo.
December 18, 1934

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl eight years old. Miss Stubblefield is my teacher. I want you to bring me a serving set, a house cleaning set and some dishes. Do not forget the poor little boys and girls. Bring my baby sister something to play with. She was not here last Christmas.

Your friend,
Louise Jackson.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 18, 1934

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a BB gun and some BB's and some books.
Please bring me some fruit and candy, some clothes. I guess that is all. Don't forget the other little children.

Your friend,
Louis Laster.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 18, 1934

Dear Santa:
Please bring me an electric train, an erector set No. 6 and in airplane moden to build.

Yours truly,
Frank Stevens.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy 4 years od. I am a good little boy, and I want you to bring me a doll, a 98c truck with lights, stream line train, and a cowboy suit, some fruit and nuts. Santa don't forget me, and other little boys and girls.

Your little pal,
Elbert Duggins, Jr.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 19, 1934.

Dear Santa:
Please don't forget Miss Mouser. Bring her a pair of silk pajamas and a pair of silk hose.
Please don't forget the poor children.
And I want a doll with hair, and a set of dishes. I do not want much but you are a jolly old fellow to brink me and my friends and children across the sea.

Your truly,
Olvena Clark.

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Dear Santa:
I am a little boy threee and a half year old. I have tried to be awfully good this past year. Last year I was not quite old enough to understand Christmas. But my sister has told me a whole lot about it. So I am looking forward to having a happy time. I want a truck a wagon, some little cars, and a whole lot of candy and nuts and chewing gum. Please don't forget those whose mothers and fathers can not afford anything for their children on Christmas.

Love
Raymond Maury Shainberg.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 18, 1934

Dear Santa:
Santa, I want you to bring me a bicycle, drum, football, wagon, BB gun, books, typewriter, airplane, boxing gloves, oranges, apples, candy and games.

Your friend,
Lowell Greer.

Dear Santa Claus:
As I have just moved to Sikeston and know no one here, I want you to brings lots of toys to keep me from getting lonesome. I want a football, blackboard, horn, rocking chair, story book, rubber ball, a nice train, candy and nuts, Don't forget my relatives in Pine Bluff and South Arkansas.

Your Little Boy,
Robert Wharton Green.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 18, 1934

Dear Santa Claus:
I want to begin by letter by wishing every one in the world a Merry Christmas.
Please bring my little sister Joyce, a doll, some dishes, table and chairs and rocking chair.
Please bring me some books, a sewing set, a doll and a rocking chair, and some skates.
Bring my teacher something nice too, she is Miss Lucille Mount.
I am nine years old and in the fourth grade.
Thanking you in advance and wishing you a Merry Christmas.

Jo Elaine Barnes.
Your little friend,

W. B. A. CHRISTMAS PARTY MONDAY NIGHT

On Monday night, a Christmas party will be given in the I. O. O. F. hall for the Junior and Adult Woman's Benefit Association members.

A program will be given by the Junior members, as follows:
Welcome address—Billy Matthews.
Piano Solo—Betty Limbaugh.
Bedtime Story— Lillian Limbaugh.
Song, "My Dollies"— Mary Jane Cummins.
Reading, "The Point of the Star" —Madelon Scillian.
Reading, "The Little Gray Cottage"—Nellie Lou Marshall.
Song, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."—Elizabeth Wagner.
Play, "A new Fashion Christmas". The characters are. Roland Moll, Jack Johnson, John Marshall, Betty Jane Cummins, Shirley Jean Smith, Mary Helen Wagner, Santa Claus, E. H. Smith, and Mrs. Santa Claus, Miss Mary Ethel Smith.
All members of the association and parents are invited to attend this program.

The order of the W. B. A. will have their annual Christmas party Monday evening, December 24, at the I. O. O. F. hall. All members and their children are urged to be present.

The T. E. L. Class, of the First Baptist Church met on Tuesday night at the home of the teacher, Mrs. Dean Marshall, for the annual Christmas party. Thirty-one adults and six children were present. A short business session was held, after which a social hour was enjoyed, under the direction of Miss Rebecca Pierce, fellowship vice-president. Mrs. Adie Sitzes, Mrs. Louis Gnadt and Mrs. Gale Hoffman were winners in the contests. Refreshments were served, followed by exchange of gifts. Names were then drawn for T. E. L. unknown friends. The friends to be revealed at the April meeting. Mrs. Marshall was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. C. M. Harris and Mrs. W. C. Edwards.
The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Boyd Scillian, with Mrs. Hester Carraway assistant hostess.

There'll be no dearth of socks for the Christmas holidays at the state penitentiary at Jefferson City. The state purchasing agent this week bough 1,000 dozen work socks for that institution.

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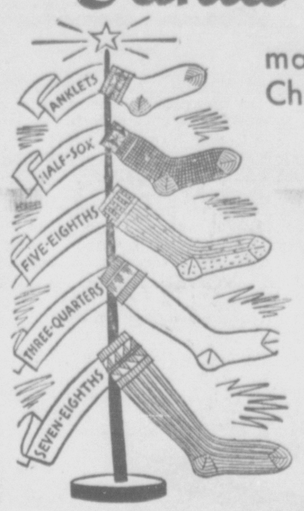
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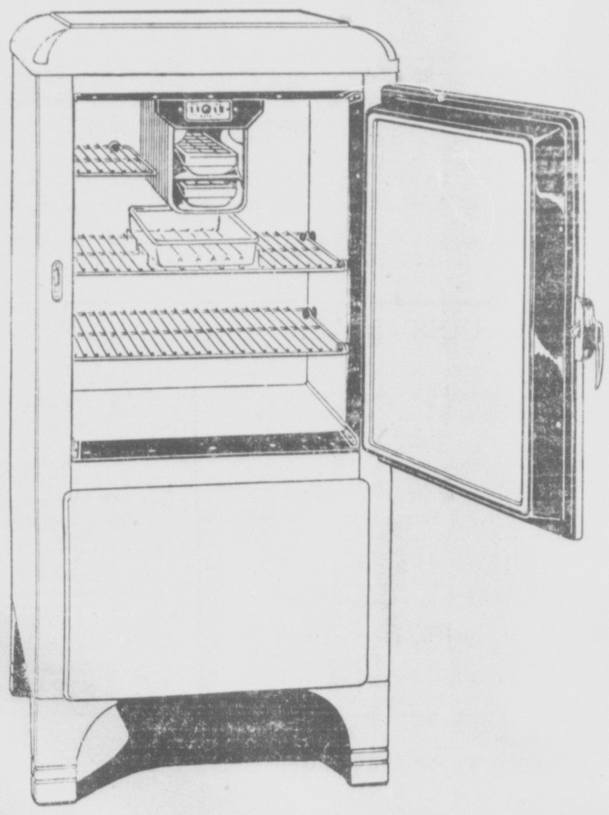
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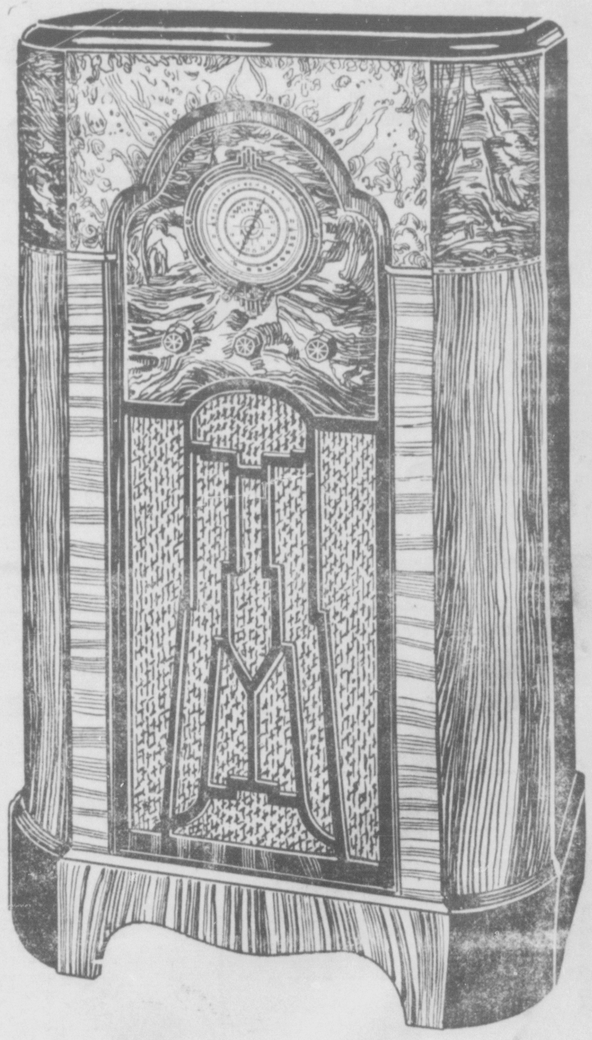
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Personal News of Sikeston

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dill of Carbondale, Ill., will come to Sikeston, Saturday morning, where they will be joined by their nephew, Billie Shuppert, thence to the Texas Valley to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Dill's brother, Haroy Looney, and family. They expect to reach their destination Monday. While away they will also visit in Old Mexico, returning to their home January 2.

Miss Adagene Bowman, a student at the Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., arrived Thursday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young and children, Miss Hazel and John Richard, will go to Memphis, Tenn., Sunday to meet their son and brother, Harry Young, Jr., who will spend the Christmas holidays here. Mr. Young is attending the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington, Va.

Jim and Larry Hatfield, Jr., visited here the latter part of the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hatfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moses of Fredericktown, will arrive Sunday for the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Moses' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Homes.

Mrs. W. C. Bowman, Mrs. Joe Bowman, Mrs. Lee Bowman and Mrs. Milem Limbaugh were in Charleston Tuesday afternoon. visiting with Mrs. S. J. Estes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pruitt, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cowan and daughter, Mary Jane, of Dexter, visited here Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hatfield.

Miss Henrietta Moore will arrive today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore. Miss Moore is a student at the Fairmont College, Washington, D. C., this being her senior year. Recently Miss Moore was elected president of the class. Franklin Moore will go to St. Louis to meet his sister and accompany her to Sikeston.

Mrs. John Fisher, Mrs. Lee Bowman, Mrs. Milem Limbaugh and Mrs. Gus Martin spent Wednesday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. E. P. Coleman and Mrs. T. C. McClure and children left yesterday (Thursday) morning for Boston Mass., to spend the Christmas holidays with their mother, Mrs. J. E. Hetherington. Mr. Coleman and Dr. McClure will leave Saturday night for Boston to join their famiies for the holidays.

Mrs. E. C. Matthews went to St. Louis yesterday (Thursday) morning to meet her daughter, Miss Olga Matthews, who will spend the Christmas holidays here. Miss Matthews is attending the National Park Seminary, at Forest Glen, Md., Mrs. Matthews and daughter will return home today.

Miss Camille Klein entertained at a 6:30 dinner, last night.

The Jolly Twelve Club was entertained Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Fred Jones, with all members present. This was a Christmas party with the Christmas decorations being carried out in the rooms and aso the refreshments. The table centerpiece was a decorated tree. At this time the "Sunshine Friends" were revealed. Names were then drawn again. Lotto was played, with honors going to Mrs. Tom Baker and Mrs. Doc Watson. Mrs. Gus Schmidt will be the January hostess.

On Monday evening Mrs. John Fox was tendered a birthday surprise by Mrs. E. M. Crooks, Mrs John Calvin and Mrs. Grover Keller. The ladies brought with them eatables which was spread for dinner. An enjoyable time was spent.

AMERICAN LEGION

Henry Meldrum Post 114

CHRISTMAS TREE AND PROGRAM

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No child allowed unless accompanied by its parents

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MINUTE SAFETY TALKS

By Don Herold



Fool's Caps for Fool Drivers

It doesn't take any brains to have an automobile accident.

It usually takes anything but.

In fact, nine times out of ten there's something sappy behind the accident.

I realize there would be some injustice in it, but I'll bet it would cut down motor car accidents a pretty per cent if everybody involved in every accident were made by law to wear a fool's cap for a week. And this would go for pedestrians, too.

Many accidents are caused by people who think they are being very smart. They think it is bright to "step on the gas" and beat death in some tight place. They consider it cute to sneak through a traffic light. Behind many accidents are not only chiselers, cheats, show-offs, boors, wise-guys, exhibitionists, but A-1 dumbbells and dullards, and a lot of people who are just plain inconsiderate of other people's rights, and a lot of people in a fool hurry to get somewhere where they aren't needed as urgently as they think they are.

Indeed, I know that sometimes Fate causes accidents, but statistics gathered by The Travelers Insurance Company show that in most cases the accident is caused by some sort of human folly. And it is true that your accident may be entirely the other fellow's fault, but a part of good driving is to be on the outlook for idiots.

Fool's caps for all accidenters and fenderdenters wouldn't be so very far wrong in the long run.

Any darn-fool driver or pedestrian can get into an accident; it takes a pretty smart person to stay out of them, these days.

Maybe medals or ribbons for those who don't have accidents might be a better system.

Want Ads

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FOR RENT—2 furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Call 317. ? ft-22.

DORCAS AND AGOGA MEMBERS TO SING XMAS CAROLS SUNDAY NIGHT

The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist church, held their regular class session Sunday morning with twenty members present. We were very glad to have our teacher, Mrs Garrison, who has been ill, with us again.

On Monday night the class, together with members of the Y. W. A., enjoyed a Christmas party at the church, with Misses Helen Johnson and Pauline Husher hostesses. Gifts were exchanged and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Following the White Christmas service to be held Sunday night, December 23, members of the Dorcas and Agoga classes will go Christmas carolling. Anyone having requests for carols to be sung either at their homes or the homes of some friend please call Mrs. A. B. Moll, phone 477, or see Glenda Stacy.

Dorothy Moll, Class reporter

STUDENTS MAY ENTER CARTOONS, EDITORIALS IN NATIONAL PROJECT

WASHINGTON—The National Association of Student Editors, an organization consisting of editors of school papers, announces its participation in the 300th Anniversary of the founding of the American high school, which will be celebrated throughout the nation in 1935. Principal features of their participation include nation-wide Cartoon, Editorial, and Printing Projects, sponsored by the Division of Publications of the National Education Association. High school students everywhere are invited to join in these projects by drawing cartoons, writing editorials, and printing posters which set forth the highlights of progress in the development of the American high school and make clear the significance, aims, and achievements of that institution. Particulars of the projects may be obtained from the headquarters of the organization at 1201 Sixteenth St. N. W., Washington, D. C

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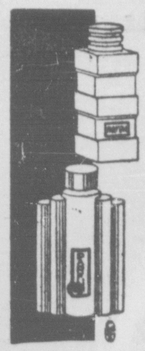
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THE EDITOR SAYS—

The Old Testament furnishes the instanceof a man in the street who, maybe during a crop failure or on the verge of bankruptcy, called out of the darkness to the watchman on the tower, and received as an answer to his questioning hail, the assurance that "the morning cometh". In every neighborhood, in every store or factory, in every home, there is a tower of optimism, The person who ascends it at the New Year season will find that the east indeed is alight, and that the morning cometh.

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Many stores have some sort of punch boards where a nickle in the slot give so many marbles. We don't know just what there is to the game but from the way young men and boys crowd around these boards there must be some sport somewhere. Usually women have to side step these boards and the fellows who play them.

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We are very glad to hear that Albert O. Allen, publisher of the New Madrid Record, will be the new postmaster of that city. Once in a while an editor is rewarded for the publicity he gives his community, his state and his nation.

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The editor's family was agreeably surprised Sunday evening by the coming of Miss Catherine Blanton from Washington, D. C. The surprise was complete as she was expected to spend Christmas in that city.

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DON'T LET FIRE TURN CHRISTMAS JOY TO SORROW

There was an atmosphere of Christmas everywhere in the Sanford home, where pretty decorations of quick-burning materials had been used profusely. The gifts had been opened and heaps of paper and tissue had been left near the tree. Sounds festivity filled the house, and in childish glee little Alice donned a paper costume.

Snap! A vicious spark from a short circuit beneath the tree ignited the thin tissue! The flames leaped instantly to Alice's flimsy costume and she ran shrieking from the room. Then people woke up. Uncle Jack stuck out his foot, neatly tripping the child onto a rug into which he rolled her, snuffing out the flames as he protected her face and hair. Dad and Uncle Art reappeared with fire extinguishers that made short work of the fire. But the room was a wreck, Alice had some painful burns and the holiday spirit was considerably dampened.

Nevertheless, heart-felt thanksgiving went up from the Sanfords as they realized what might have happened to their child and home! They were lucky folks, indeed! Every Christmas brings reports of fires that did not end so fortunately. Four lessons are pointed out by the National Board of Fire Underwriters from this incident.

First is the importance of purchasing standard wire, fuses, plugs, sockets and sets of Christmas tree lights—that is, those bearing the approval label of Underwriters' Laboratories. In addition, have all extra wiring done by a licensed electrician, detach appliances when not in use and don't hang wires over nails.

Second is the folly of using inflammable decorations for trees and rooms. (Incombustible decorations are now on sale.) All paper and tissue wrappings from packages should also be disposed of at once.

The last two lessons stand to the credit of the Sanfords: They used the correct method of putting out flames in clothing and they kept fire extinguishers handy. When clothing catches fire, the person should never run, but always get down on the floor and roll in a rug or blanket, holding it tight about the neck to protect the face. Fire extinguishers many times will stop a fire before it gets dangerous.

Still other essential precautions are:

Instruct children carefully in the use of toys, especially electrical ones. Avoid toys requiring an alcohol or kerosene lamp. Flimsy motion picture machines should be avoided, as children may borrow or rent inflammable film and attempt to use it.

Smoking: In rooms decorated for the holidays and where excited children are playing, smoking is apt to be dangerous. Considerate smokers will use another room.

Candles: Never use lighted candles for decorations. They are especially hazardous on trees, and on window sills where curtains may be blown against them.

Trees: Set trees up securely and at some distance from lighting and heating fixtures. A new type of stand, which holds the butts in water, keeps trees greener. Otherwise, the heat of a house dries out a tree and soon makes it a real hazard. A good precaution is to take down the tree and dispose of it a few days after Christmas.

Santa Claus: Don't let old Kris Kringle himself be a fire hazard. Oftentimes his costume or "whiskers" would burn furiously if accidentally ignited. This would hardly be fair to the old gentleman. Costume and cotton beard can be made safer if sprayed with a solution of water-glass, which is obtainable at all drug stores.

Miss Daisy Gardner will spend the Christmas holidays in St. Louis. Se expects to return the latter part of the week. The millinery shop will be open in the afternoons during her absence.

Three Semo Men Valuable Players at Murray State

Previously giving three varsity members to the Murray State College Thoroughbred team, Morley, is now represented on the Murray team by Clint Bugg, varsity tackle. In 1929 John Miller, Jim Miller, and Hugh May, residents of Morley, were members of the varsity team at Murray State College.

Clint is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bugg, of Morley.

Attending high school in Morley, he played for four years with the team which in 1929 won the football championship in Scott county. Besides his activity in football, Mr. Bugg also starred with the track team.

Clint entered Murray State College in 1931 and played tackle on the undefeated and unscored fresh eleven of that year. In 1933 he was a regular on the untied and undefeated Thoroughbred eleven which won the S.I.A.A. championship. This year the Thoroughbreds have played and won more games than any other team in the S.I.A.A. conference. They were the highest scoring team in the S.I.A.A. this year.

Clint is majoring in education and planning to teach and coach after leaving college. He will graduate with the class of 1935.

In July 1934, Mr. Bugg married Miss Ellen Roberts, of Murray, Ky., and became the seventh of the eleven married Thoroughbreds. Mr. and Mrs. Bugg are living in quarters adjoining the campus while Clint is in school.

"I've enjoyed playing football this season at Murray College more than any other season I have played," says Lester King, senior at Murray State College, from Matthews.

"My increased enjoyment has been due to the changing of positions from fullback to an end position," he continued.

King's home is in Matthews, where he graduated from high school. He played quarterback for three years on the Matthews high school football team. In his last year he was captain of the team.

Lester was fullback on the Murray Frosh eleven and for the next two years played the same position on the varsity team. This year he has made the Thoroughbreds ones of the best end-men that Murray has ever boasted.

King is also active in extra-curricular activities other than sports. He is a member of the Physical Education club, Varsity "M" club, and president of the Cosmopolitan club.

Woodrow "Pedro" Simmons, senior at Murray State College, is undoubtedly one of the best ends that ever donned a football uniform for the Murray State Thoroughbreds.

Woodrow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Simmons, of Charleston. While at student in Charleston high school he made an unusual record as an athlete. In 1930 "Pedro" was mentioned on the mythical All-Missouri State eleven. He was also an outstanging member of the basketball and track teams. He graduated from Charleston high school in 1931.

By 1933 he was a regular end on the undefeated and untied Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship Thoroughbred team. For his outstanding playing, both defensive and offensive he was named on the Mythical All-State S.I.A.A. eleven and given honorable mention on the All-S.I.A.A. that year.

In 1934 he was a member of of the highest scoreing team in the conference.

Since entering college, Simmons, has played four years as a regular at the end position. During this time he has scored a total of 81 points.

He is president of the Varsity "M" Club, and a member of the Allenian Society. Simmons expects to graduate in June with a major in physical education.

One of "Pedro's" school mates, Leonard "Cutter" Bryant, Charleston, was an outstanding player during his four years at college. He was captain of the championship S. I. A. A. team in 1933.

MISSOURI HISTORY

Courtesy Missouri Historical Society

If Thomas Jefferson gave to the United States its ideal of scientific agriculture, as has been asserted, then William Henry Hatch, adopted son of Missouri has probably done more than any other man to make that ideal an actuality. For, by the passage on Mar. 2, 1887, of the act which bears his name, Hatch became the father of the present system of scientific agricultural experiment stations in the United States—a distinction which merits him the tribute of placement by the side of Jefferson in service to American Agriculture.

William Henry Hatch, father the agricultural experiment stations, was born in Georgetown, Kentucky, September 11, 1833, of pioneer Kentucky ancestry. Reared in moderate circumstances, and a self-made man, he was none the less a son of Kentucky's royal blood. In 1845, after completing his education in Lexington, he was admitted to the Kentucky bar. The following year he moved to Missouri where he became a leading citizen and practicing lawyer of Hannibal. After serving in the Confederacy during the Civil War, he resumed his legal practice in Hannibal, and, in 1878, ran the Democratic race for Congress as candidate from the first Missouri district. Elected and re-elected seven successive times, Hatch entered upon a sixteen year period of distinguished service to the agricultural interests of his State and nation.

A man of magnificient bearing, always courteous and pleasant, and an orator of force and power, Hatch soon gained a leading position in Congress where he became identified with the agricultural interests. For many years he was chairman of the agricultural committee. An ardent supporter of all legislation looking to the upbuilding of the Department of Agriculture, he was influential in making the head of that department a cabinet officer. Through his leadership, Congress created the bureau of animal industry in 1884 passed the first oleomargerinne act of 1886, the meat inspection act of 1890, a bill for the prevention of the spread of infectious and contagious diseases of domestic animals, and approximately fifty other acts of far-reaching importance the the agricultural interests of the United States. The greatest bill sponsored by Hatch, however, is the Hatch Act of 1887, which created the first really national system of agricultural experiment stations in the world.

By the famous Hatch Act and the complementary Adams and Purnell bills of 1906 and 1925, the United States now appropriates $90,000 annually to each state and territory for the maintenance of scientific agricultural experiment stations to be operated in connection with the state agricultural colleges. These stations promote scientific investigation and conduct original experiments under actual farming conditions in the various phases of agriculture such as field crops, horticulture, animal husbandry, plant pathology, economic entomology, soils and fertilizers, agricultural economics, agricultural engineering, veterinary science, genetics, home economics, darying and forestry. Discoveries made by one station of interest to others are exchanged and experiments are frequently conducted in cooperation with private, state and national agencies. The results of the investigations are published individually by the states themselves and collectively by the United States Department of Agriculture in the annual publication known as the EXPERIMENT STATION RECORD. Thus the benefits of the experimental work are both national and local in scope. The results of the experiments finally become a vital part of the agricultural life of the nation, and no farmer is so remote that he is not benefited by the experiment stations and their work. While costing the United States millions of dollars, the stations have meant added hundreds of millions to the farmers of the individual states and territories, thereby proving not the cost of scientific agriculture, but its worth.

In 1894, after his defeat by the Republican landslide of that year and his retirement from the house, Hatch served as president of the National Dairy Union, and in this capacity, continued his fight for pure dairy products.

When not engaged in public life, Colonel Hatch spent his time at "Strawberry Hill", his finely improved farm of one hundred and sixteen acres just outside of Hannibal, where he took a deep interest in breeding fine herds of Jersey cattle, flocks of Southdown sheep, and strings of purebred Kentucky trotting horses. Here he died December 23, 1896.

Fitting memorials have been made to Hatch. In 1915 his friends erected the splendid statue of him which now stands in the city park in Hannibal. In 1923 his daughter, Sarah Rhodes Hatch, on her death, Bequeathed "Strawberry Hill" to the State of Missouri in memory of her father. The farm is now called the Hatch dairy experiment station and is operated jointly by the dairy husbandry department of the college of agriculture, University of Missouri, and the bureau of Dairy industry, United States department of agriculture. It stands as a most appropriate tribute of the "father of agricultural experiment stations."

NEW DODGE OF IMPRESSIVE BEAUTY

Detailed announcement of the 1935 Dodge line, widely awaited because of pre-season rumors crediting the new models with important innovations, will prove interesting reading because the manufacturers, not content with keeping abreast of prevailing trends, offer several unexpectd features.

It is apparent that Dodge body stylists have outdone themselves in creating a series of bodies to which streamlining has been applied with eye-filling and ractical beauty. The student of mechanical development also finds many interesting points designed to invest motoring with still greater comforts and, in a variety of ways, with still greater safety and economy.

New Engine and Chassis Features

The thoroughness with which Dodge engnieers have gone about their task may be gathered from a partial list of 1935 Dodge details. Aside from completely redesigned bodies, these include a Dodge high-compression Red Ram engine, a new and interesting "synchromatic" front suspension, a ventilated clutch, a synchro-shift transmission, further improved hydraulic brakes, and a number of engine and chassis features through which certain control functions, formerly the duty of the driver, are now performed automatically

In the body interiors, made more comfortable by a perfected, clear-vision ventilation system, Dodge designers have evolved new heights of convenience. There is an almost lavish display of leg and elbow space and, in the way of appointments, about everything the exacting buyer might expect.

In dimensions, the bodies of 1935 Dodge models are considerably wider; there is more space between floor and roof, though the car's overall height is not increased. The fact that no filler-apron bridges body and running boards not only gives the body sides a pleasing aspect of tailored smoothness, but makes it possible to lower the car floors nearly 4 inches without sacrifice of road clearance.

"Synchromatic" Springing Explained

Of strongly outstanding interest is the Dodge "synchromatic" front wheel action which, because of its unusual construction, will attract much attention. The suspension incorporates a rigid front axle; double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers and a rubber-cushioned specially soft, thin-leaf springs; synchronizing mechanism called the Dodge "ride levelator."

The effectiveness of the design, according to Dodge engineers, is further assured by a redistribution of the car's spring-supported weight, a process in which the power plant is placed 8 inches further forward, while the sedan rear seats, formerly above the rear axle, are moved forward 3 inches so that all passengers now ride cradled between the axles.

The action of the Dodge levelator does away with the tendency of the car to sway or roll and makes possible the use of very flexible front springs. As the front wheel on one side passes over an obstruction, the soft spring on that side compresses. The swaying motion of the body that would result is promptly counteracted by the is and there is no actual metal-to-to both sides of the car frame, causes disturbances occurring to one wheel, to be "leveled out" not merely by the spring action on the affected side but by the combined spring action, rubber-cushioned "levelator" action and shock absorber action—on both sides. The net effect is said to be an ideally soft ride—the Dodge "Airglide" ride—and the fact that neither up and down movement of the front wheel nor the tendency of the body to roll in turning curves causes the chassis frame to assume an unpleasant noticeable tilt.

The flat-leaf springs differ from conventional construction in several ways. The alloy steel of which they are fashioned was specially developed for the purpose. The ends of the leaves are tapered. The deflection rate, which with ordinary springs would be about 250 lbs, per inch, is only 115 lbs., making the car's front and rear springs of about equal resiliency.

The spring eyes — ordinarily formed by the topmost leaf—are in the now Dodge, formed by the two upper leaves. To permit the necessary motion for the second leaf, it has a section removed from its center. The place of the cut-out section is taken by a spacer. The arrangement gives the spring proper resistance to steering and braking stresses and provides the flexibility that is a characteristic of the "levelator"—controlled synchromatic suspension.

Unusual Steering Mechanism

The steering mechanism of the new Dodge also is unusual; it is the Dodge cross-steering method in which the Pitman arm moves crosswise instead of lengthwise with the chassis frame, as is the case with ordinary steering. This construction contributes materially to steernig ease and makes it impossible for road shocks to be communicated to the steering wheel.

The patented floating power engine mountings—which have been a Dodge feature for several years —are in the 1935 models, with a simplified front mount and relocated rear supports. At the points where it approaches the chassis frame, the power plant is cushioned on rubber bonded to steel bases in such a manner that the engine rocks about its natural axis and there is no ctual metal-to-metal supporting contact between engine and chassis frame. Vibration is thus completely smothered before it reaches the body or frame.

87 H. P. With High Compression

Having a bore of 3 1-4 inches and a stroke of 4 3-8 inches, the Dodge Red Ram engine delivers 87 horsepower, with a standard 6.5 compression head. An engine detail worthy of mention is the shaping of the cylinder-head combustion space which, giving the incoming fuel mixture increased turbulence, contributes materially to complete conversion of the gasoline into power.

Exhaust valve seats of special heat-resisting alloy steel, introduced by Dodge in 1933, are also used this year. However, for 1935 Dodge provides still another innovation designed to lengthen the life of exhaust valves. The improvement takes the form of spray cooling of the exhaust valve seats through a steel tube extending through the cylinder block. This tube has openings from which water is kept playing against the cylinder side of the exhaust valve seats.

As the exhaust-valve spray-cooling tube is directly connected to the water pump, cool water is delivered through holes in the tube and sprayed on the six hot exhaust valve seats.

The engine cooling system has been further improved by extending the water jackets downward the full length of the cylinder barrels. The modified water jacketing is regarded as important because it results in uniform cooling of the cylinder bores. This uniform cooling of the cylinder bores together with the spray cooling of the exhaust valve seats results in uniform expansion of the cylinder bores when the engine is operating at high speed and very hot. The bores remain cylindrical and there is a marked reduction in the consumption of oil.

The engine crankshaft has seven balancing weights for reducing bearing loads. In addition, an impulse neutralizer is mounted on the forward end of the crankshaft. The valve cam faces of the Dodge Red Ram engine are designed for tappet adjustment is very infrequent because of the use of valve seat inserts, which do not permit the valves to pound into the cylinder block.

The aluminum alloy pistons are of an improved steel-strut, controlled-expansion type giving an effective compression sea regardless of whether the engine is hot or cold. Four piston rings are provided, two upper compression rings and two lower oil control rings; the latter function as scrapers which pick up surplus lubricant and pass it, through openings in the piston skirt, back into the main oil reservoir.

Dodge Clutch Ventilated

Engine lubrication is by forced feed. In being raised from the crankcase reservoir the oil, pumped through an oil manifold running through the cylinder block, enters passages drillel through the cylinder block. Through these shock-proof leads the lubricant is forced to main, camshaft and connecting rod bearings and to the timing-drive chain. All oil, before entering the pump housing is screened; in returning to the base reservoir it is drawn through an outside mounted oil purifier.

A noteworthy detail of the Dodge clutch is a cushioned hub in which spiral compression springs absorb the shocks arising mission. The clutch housing is ventilated and the operation of the clutch itself has been made so easy that a foot pressure of only 26 pounds' and an exceedingly short pedal movement will disconnect the engine from the transmission.

Dodge brakes are of the time-tested hydraulic type which the company's engineers regard as most dependable because they act with equal effect on all four wheels and do not require periodical adjustment. The 10-inch brake drums are of a composite, built-up type combining a cast-iron braking ring with a steel back. The braking ring has air-cooling ribs. The braking surface or contact area of the brakes has been increased 20 percent in the 1935 Dodge.

In addition to the pedal-operated hydraulic service brakes, the new Dodge is equipped with a separate, powerful propeller-shaft type parking brake.

Many Automatic Controls

Dodge engineers have exerted themselves considerably to make the operation of the 1935 models as free as possible from the manipulations that heretofore called for judgment and experience on the part of the driver.

The choke button, for instance, is no more. The choking of the carbureator intake passage prior to starting is now done by an automatic device working part thermostatically and part electrically.

The setting of the ignition spark formerly largely a matter of guesswork, also has been made automatic, in two ways—by a centrifugal governor and by a special vacuum spark control.

The precise amount of heat to be applied to the fuel mixture is doled out, automatically, by a thermostatically-operated carburetor heat control.

The engine temperature is kept under constant check by a thermostat incorporated in the water circulating system.

The synchro-silent transmission is designed to cause the gears to be meshed when turning at the same speed, an arrangement making speed changes noeiesslasdnhm ing speed changes noiseless and safe.

More and Better Ventilation

been given to the matter of ventilation, the body interior not being the only place to receive attention. The windows are so arranged that an initial turning of the front door crank creates a crescent-shaped opening in the upper forward corner of the window. As this opening is situated behind the substantial shoulder of the window frame, the oncoming air stream, in passing over the edge of the frame, creates a suction that draws the air from the car interior. The adjustable windshield is another feature of the Dodge perfected clear-vision ventilation system.

The cowl section of the body is additionally ventilated through a screen-guarded ventilator. Hood ventilaton is automatic, through highly decorative louvers. Further ventilation of the under-hood engine compartment is provided through auxiliary louvers in the lower inner side of the fender aprons, below the so-called "catwalk" bridging the space between the curved fender portion and the engine hood. The enging crankcase is ventilated through a steel tube around the muzzle of which a partial vacuum is created by the motion of the car. The clutch has provisions for ventilating and air-cooling it. The current generator is both ventilated and air-cooled. Even the gasoline line is now air cooled.

Eight Body Types are Offered

Interesting auxiliary features of the new Dodge line for 1935 include a new lighting system in which last year's asymetric head light beams are supplanted by a light pattern formed by parallel beams of maximum legal intensity The headlamps use one double-filament bulb and one parking light bulb.

The lighting of the dash instruments is direct, through two tubular lamps that light on being slightly withdrawn and may be rotated to project their beams in different directions.

Eight body models are offered on the new Dodge chassis: They are: Two coupes, one with and the other without rumble seat—one exquisitely leather - upholstered convertible coupe—2-door and 4-door sedans—2-door touring and 4-(with trunk)—4-door touring sedan (with trunk). Fender wells for the side mounting of spare tires are provided if desired.

Mrs. I. H. Dunaway is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Horace Payne, in Kansas City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth and family of Cape Girardeau will be guests at the L. O. Rodes home, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brady and son, Sam, from Indianapolis are guests of Mrs. Mary Griffith and family.

Chicago has decreased in population 117,820 during the last four years. However, since Dillinger, Capone and that bunch of gangsters are gone it now has hopes of regaining its losses.

The erection of the $15,000 granite memorial to the late William Joel Stone, former governor and senator, is almost completed at Nevada. The statue has been placed on its granite block and the dedication will take place in May.

CCC CAMP BOYS TO REPORT AT BENTON

Scott county's quota of 14 white men CCC Company Co. 726 to be stationed near Greenville, Mo., are notified to report at the Court House in Benton, Wednesday, January 2, at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon, in order that they may be transported to the camp assigned them. Failure to be on hand at the designated time and place will probably forfeit their appointment.

Scott County Extension Board Organized Dec. 20

The Scott County Extension Board was organized at Benton Thursday, December 20, by the Scott County Farm Bureau, the Scott County Corn-Hog Control Association, the Scott County Wheat Association, and the Scott County Cotton Association. These four groups combine for support and supervision of the county agent's office as a local cooperating group for the year 1935. In the past the Farm Bureau has been responsible for cooperating with the University for extension work in Scott County but due to the fact that the nature of the work in the County Agent's office has been radically changed in the last year, the Control Associations joined in with the Farm Bureau in being responsible for its support and continuance. Five representatives of these Associations were selected to form the Extension Board. Mr. Carl O. Luper was elected chairman, while the Associations elected Mr. Evin Burke as secretary and Mr. Arthur Schiwitz as treasurer with Mr. Simon P. Bollinger and R. Q. Black as representatives at large as the two additional members of the board.

The program of work was outlined and approved for the extension office and County agent for 1935 which showed that the actual working days for the County Agent on straight project work alone would be approximately 369 days which is more working days than there are in the year for the County Agent but due to the fact that he will be allowed an asistant agent it means that the assistant will, of necessity, take a part of this work in place of the County Agent. The greater part of the work will rest with the A. A. A. programs on corn-hog, wheat, cotton, and the administration of the Bankhead Act. In the regular line of extension work it was agreed that there should be several 4-H clubs organized, that the women's clubs be continued and that the county agent assist in home garden work and encourage more farmers to use better seed on corn, wheat,oats and cotton.

Campaign will be started the first of January to give farmers an opportunity to sign reduction contracts on corn-hog for 1935 and in general the program will require the same amount and type of work as used in 1934 with probably another referendum held in the fall of 1935 similar to the one held the past year.

Wheat compliance work will strat in January this year in order that wheat fields will be measured in advance of harvest time In addition the wheat contracts this year will expire and there held next fall and another campaign for signing new contracts will probably be a referendum in September.

There will be supplementary sign-up on cotton beginning the first of the year for those who did not sign last spring and then the contracts which are now in existance will expire next year. Probably another referendum will be held and preparations for continuing the contracts as soon as they expire.

The Bankhead act will be continued on through 1935 and again the same amount of work will be required to handle it as was used in 1934. Mr. W. Sayers Tanner, Assistant in Cotton Adjustment in the County Agent's office was reemployed for the year 1935 and his office will remain open.

Midland Yellow Dent seed corn was grown by three farmers in Scott County this year, namely Roy Johnson of Sikeston, Louis Dohogue of Chaffee, and R. Q. Black of Oran. This variety of corn apparently is the outstanding yellow corn for this area and it is contemplated that more farmers will be encouraged to use this certified seed which they have in order to get it better established. Several farmers in Scott County are growing Michigan Wonder seed wheat which, according to the results of the Sikeston Substation, is the better wheat and it is hoped that those growers who have it this year will be able to distribute it to other farmers in Scott County.

Stoneville No. 1 cotton and also Stoneville No. 5 have made an excellent accounting of themselves in Scott County but there is being developed another strain of D.P.L. No. 10 which will certainly be a strong contender with the Stoneville for the better cotton in Scott County although it is a varied soil there will be a place in our agriculture for each of them.

Law Demanding Sale of Tax Delinquent Property Held Valid

JEFFERSON CITY, December 22—The constitutionality of the Jones-Munger law which requires the sale of County Collectors of all realty on which taxes are delinquent, was upheld this afternoon by the State Supreme Court en banc.

In holding the law valid, the court made absolute a writ of prohibition to restrain Judge Arthur H. Bader of the St. Louis Circuit Court from assuming jurisdiction in a friendly tax suit filed by Edmond Koeln, City Collector, under the old procedure. The test case was instituted by Otto F. Karbe, a St. Louis attorney.

In filing the tax foreclosure suit under the old law, Koeln contended that another delinquent tax law also passed by the 1933 session of the Legislature, took precedent over the Jones-Munger act, which became effective July 24, 1933.

Judge C. A. Leedy, Jr., who wrote the opinion, ruled that the other law, in effect, was "nugatory." The other members of the court concurred in the opinion, although Judge Ernest S. Gantt concurred only in the result.

Under the Jones-Munger law, the collectors have the opinion of selling all property on which taxes are delinquent, or only the realty on which taxes have been delinquent for five years. The sales must be held by the first Monday in November each year, after the property has been advertised for sale in a newspaper.

State Auditor Forrest Smith recently estimated that there is about $25,000,000 in delinquencies, on the county tax books of the state.

The chief difference between the Jones-Munger law and the preceding delinquent tax law is that the Collectors no longer have to file foreclosure suits to sell properly for delinquencies, but can hold the sales after advertising them in a newspaper for three consecutive weeks, the last insertion being at least 15 days before the first Monday in November of each year.

BAPTIST PLAY PRESENTED TO PACKED HOUSE SUNDAY

"The Bethlehem Inn", a play given in connection with the White Christmas service held at the local Baptist church Sunday evening, was presented to a packed house, and many were turned away because of lack of standing room.

The play, itself, was proclaimed entirely successful by all who witnessed the excellent performance of the characters taking part.

The scene of the play was laid on a village street in Old Bethlehem as it might have appeared 2000 years ago, with an Inn, a stable and an old rustic well to complete the scenery. The time was a day 2000 years ago at the time of year when all Jews were ordered, by commandment of Augustus, to go to the city of their fathers to be enrolled for taxation, among whom were Joseph and Mary. When Joseph and Mary are turned away from the Inn by the Roman Innkeeper, Sulla, they are offered the hospitality of the poor Jephtthah, the Jewish stable boy who offers to let Mary sleep in his place in the stable. It is there at eventide that the baby Jesus is born. Hannah, a blind beggar maid receives her sight and the shepherds and wise men pay hommage to the new born king.

The play was preceded by a vocal duet, "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem", by Misses Virginia Martin and Neva Mae Taylor, which was very beautiful. Then followed a prelude to the play, with Miss Lela Stacy as the Spirit of Christmas paving the way for the play. Following the play Miss Stacy again took charge by giving an opportunity to all who wished to give material gifts or to lay themselves upon the altar of service during the coming years.

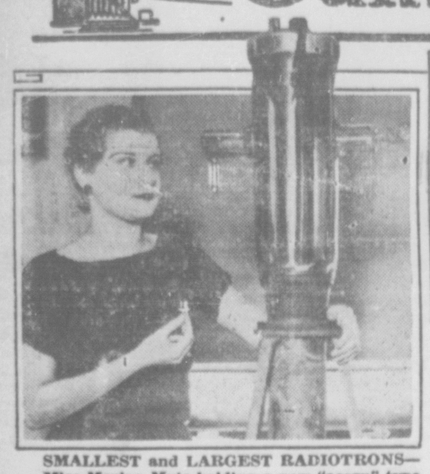
CONYERS-HANS

Miss Hazel B. Hans of Cape Girardeau and Verlond D. Conyers were united in marriage at the local Methodist church Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock, with Rev. E. H. Orear, pastor of the local church officiating. Quite a number of friends and relatives were present to witness the ceremony. Mr. Conyers is employed in a Kroger store in Cape Girardeau, where the young couple will make their home.

Sikeston Standard, $2.00 a year

Christmas Greetings and Sincere Good Wishes for a Successful and Happy New Year to All. - DERRIS DRUG STORE.

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SMALLEST and LARGEST RADIOTRONS—Miss Marion Muir holding a new "acorn" type radio tube which was designed for amateur and experimental use in ultra short-wave reception and transmission, beside the largest transmitting tube in use.



AFTER BULLETS ENDED PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1 — Police officers beside the body of Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, notorious gunman and desperado, after it was brought to the East Liverpool, Ohio, morgue.



A KICKER WHO HAS NO KICK COMING—News that she is heir to more than $1,000,000 probably makes Miss Eliska Balatkova, Chicago chorus girl, the richest chorus girl in the world. She intends to remain a chorine.



LEADS NATION—Bill Shepherd of Western Maryland who tops football scorers — with 3 goals; 8 touchdowns; and 9 points after touchdowns—total of 57 points.

CAPITALIST PRAISES LABOR—Col. Wood F. Axton, president of the Axton-Fisher Tobacco Co., a leading speaker at the American Federation of Labor Convention, endorses shorter hour program. William Green, labor president, at left, presided at the meeting.



BAD OLD PIN Can't Hurt Her Tummy Now! — A safety pin swallowed by little Veronica Sullivan, of Boston, was lodged with its point open in her stomach. Dr T W. Wickham performed a delicate operation and closed the pin.



DISTILLER URGES TEMPERANCE— H. L. Peffer, chairman of the Board of Seagram's, signing the statement which started a nation-wide newspaper advertising drive for moderation. Scores of telegrams from leaders all over the country are giving instantaneous support to this bold stroke.

NEW CARSON & RIGHTER TRUCK TERMINAL TO BE COMPLETED FEBRUARY 1

The large, solid truck terminal which is now being constructed for Carson & Righter on Highway 61 at Gladys street will probably be finished by Femruary 1, according to W. L. Righter. The work of pouring concrete for the foundation blocks is already completed.

The structure, to face east toward the highway, will be eighty feet long and thirty feet wide and will be fitted with a fifty-foot loading dock. In the north part of the terminal will be located an office fifteen by thirty feet.

The middle part of the building will be devoted to a storage room and quarters for drivers, each fifteen by fifteen feet. On the extreme south end a forty by thirty-six foot garage and washing and greasing rack will be paced.

Before the terminal, which is being built on the extreme west end of the lot, workmen have constructed a concrete approach 155 feet long and 15 feet wide to adjoin the Highway 61 pavement. Between the concrete and the terminal structure, they will spread gravel. Gasoline pumps for use by Carson & Righter truck drivers will be placed before the building.

When officials of the truck concern planned early last fall to construct a new terminal, residents of the southeast part of town complained by signing a petition, which was presented to city councilmen. Councilmen declined to favor the petitioners, however, and voted to allow construction of a terminal.

Preliminary work was halted on October 24 when the residents, represented by Virgil Williams as plaintiff, were granted a temporary injunction against the firm on the grounds that the terminal's presence would create a nuisance in the neighborhood.

Judge Frank Kelly ruled in favor of the defendants, however, when the case was presented during the November term of the Scott county circuit court.

A need for new and larger quarters for Carson & Righter, who have been located on Prosperity street four years, has been urgent for some time.

NEW LICENSE PLATES TO GO ON SALE JANUARY 1

New 1935 automobile license plates will go on sale January 1—a month earlier this year in Missouri than ever before.

Under the new law passed by the special session of the legislature last winter the beginning of the new license year was moved forward from February 1 to January 1. This change was made to bring Missouri regulations into line with other states, a large majority of which have been on a calendar year basis for years.

At the same time that the license date was changed, the legislature reduced the state license fees on cars in the lower brackets and the following is the schedule for state licenses for 1935 plates.

Less than 12 h.p.	$ 5.00
12 to 24 h.p.	8.50
More than 24 to 36 h. p.	11.00
More than 36 to 48 h. p.	20.00
More than 48 to 60 h.p.	25.00

Plates for 1934 were sold for one-twelfth less than the above schedule. This adjustment was necessary because the 1934 license year covered but 11 months, from February 1 to December 31. Therefore in 1935 the full amount of the new schedule will be collected for the first time—Motor News.

CARUTHERSVILLE COTTON TOTALS 56,664 THIS YEAR

The Caruthersville Compress continues to receive cotton in substantial quantities.

Receipts last week were 1,508 bales, bringing the total since August 1st to 57,664 bales, according to the weekly report of the Arkansas Cotton Trade Association.

Blytheville leads the state of Arkansas with 107,171 bales.

Receipts last week and for the season at the three southeast Missouri compresses follow:

Caruthersville, for the week 1,508; for the season, 57,664.

Hayti for the week, 252; for the season 24,978.

Portageville for the week, 785; for the season 44,857.—Caruthersville Republican.

RICHARD GRIGGS

Funeral services for Richard Griggs, 30 years old, who died of lobar pneumonia at Cookeville, Tenn., Friday, were conducted at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home of a friend, Mrs. Tarwater, on Fletcher avenue. The Rev. Thomas Sailors officiated at the services. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Griggs is survived by three brothers, Thomas, Jesse, and James Griggs. Dempster service.

Imagine the confusion of a society editor in Tulsa having to write something like this: "The dinner dance that was to have been given last night by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Winterbottom for their son, Horace, Jr., has been cancelled due to the absence of Mr. Horace Winterbottom, Jr., who is a guest in the county jail in connection with the recent murder ceremonies for Mr. Snooks Spackler, who until his lamentable death, was also a member of the younger social set."—Arch Jarrell in Arkansas City Traveler.

Happiness and Prosperity During 1935 Is Our Wish For You

On behalf of the management, myself and the employees of the local office of this great Railway System, we desire to express our appreciation, both to the Sikeston Shippers and Passengers, for the large volume of business you have given us during 1934, and to assure you that in return for a continuance of this patronage during 1935 we will give you the best service possible

J. E. ROBINSON, Sikeston Agent

MISSOURI PACIFIC LINES

A. L. WALLER, C. W. ELLIOTT, CLYDE PHELPS

1934

Wishing you much joy on Christmas

MAY YOU LOOK FOR AND SEE THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE

May the joy of this happy yuletide inspire you to continue as the days go by to look for the BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE and as you look for it WE HOPE you CAN SEE IT in all its genuine reality, bringing you those things you have longed for during the years past.

We want to thank each and every one for patronage, large or small and to kindly ask that you consider us for your need in our line during the coming year.

WOODS DAIRY

We extend the SEASON'S GREETINGS to all our friends and customers, and wish for them Happiness during 1935

Becker's

GORDON HOSIERY

Will Make the Pathway of Life Easier During 1935

1934 MERRY CHRISTMAS

Is the Wish oO the Personnel Of

HOME OIL CO.

Owned by Sikeston Men

1934 Christmas Joy

May the Highways of 1935 Be Smooth and Free of Accidents for you is our wish

BOB RAFFERTY

Distributors of CONOCO PRODUCTS

CONOCO

With Heartiest Greetings 1934

Ring out good cheer, health, wealth and happiness; that will resound all through 1935.

JOHN G. POWELL

INSURANCE LOANS BONDS

GREETINGS

Christmas
Is One
of the
Rare Moments

In life when one forgets the daily routine and the cares of the business world.

It's the one day that plucks at your heartstrings and makes us thoughtful and appreciative.

So, we can't let this Christmas slip by without telling you how grateful we are to you for all you have done for us.

And after the Holidays are over we want you to know that we are going to work with but one thought in mind--the conviction that a satisfied customer is worth a dozen prospective ones.

That your Christmas may be a merry one and 1935 the most prosperous year you've ever experienced is the

Sincere wish of

THE SIMPSON CIL CO.

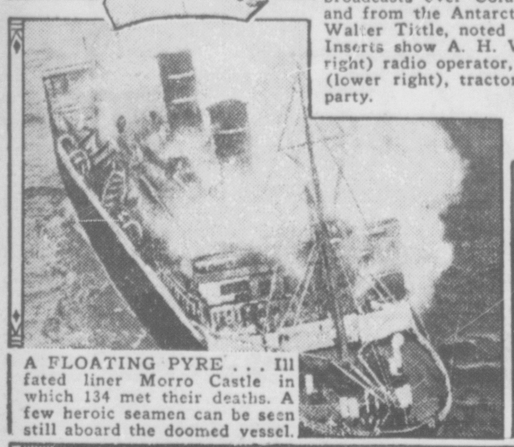
The Eyes Have It

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FOLLOWERS of Admiral Byrd's recent timely relief at his solitary hut 123 miles south of Little America now can obtain sepia reproductions of this new etching of the Expedition's leader, left. Announcements of the offer are made during the regular Wednesday night broadcasts over Columbia network, to and from the Antarctic. Etching is by Walter Tittle, noted New York artist. Inserts show A. H. Waite, Jr., (upper right) radio operator, and Pete Demas, (lower right), tractor driver of relief party.

FAMOUS ACE SLEUTH, Samuel P. Cowley, special Federal Agent assigned to the Dillinger case, who tells the first inside story of the death of the famous outlaw in the October issue of American Detective Magazine. According to Agent Cowley every step down to the actual death of Dillinger was directed by telephone from Washington by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice.



A FLOATING PYRE . . . Ill fated liner Morro Castle in which 134 met their deaths. A few heroic seamen can be seen still aboard the doomed vessel.



THE CONFIDENTIAL GENTLEMAN leaning on the microphone is Jack Benny, head man in radio's parade of funnymen, according to a poll of newspaper radio editors. He is now to be starred in a new Sunday night program starting October 14. Mary Livingstone, Don Bestor and his orchestra, and Frankie Parker, Benny's pet crooner, will serve as foils for Jack's shafts. On the air 7:00 p.m., E.S.T., for listeners in the East and Middle West, Benny's antics will be re-broadcast to reach the Coast at 8:45 Pacific Time.



DOLLY MADISON, of Metuchen, New Jersey, descendant of James Madison, the fourth president of the United States, dressed in colonial costume as delegate to the recent Constitution Day Celebration in Philadelphia.



THE HUNT—In spite of the increasing rarity of foxes in the New England States, the return of cool weather has brought out the fox hound packs in greater numbers than in several years past.

MOTHER OF SIKESTON RESIDENT SUCCUMBS

Mrs. Susie Stroud, 53 years old, died suddenly at her home at Redd a week ago Saturday afternoon between four and five o'clock. Two weeks and two days before her husband, Noah Stroud, died suddenly at the family home. Because the deaths were so close together and both of them sudden, officers were notified and Prosecuting Attorney Phillips and Deputy Sheriff Les Bollinger went to the home to inquire into the circumstances. Coroner Lloyd Morgan was also notified, but after hearing statements of members of the family and others who witnessed the demise, no inquest was held.

The mother is survived by nine children, three of whom are at home. The children are, Arvel of Two Rivers, Wis.; Robert of East Prairie; Albert of Corning, Ark.,; Mrs. Rosie Wheatley of Sikeston; Mrs. Rhoda Hughes of Dudley; Mrs. Fern Cozine and Cecil, Clarence and Ross, at home.

Mrs. Stroud was going about her usual household duties when she suffered the attack that proved fatal. One of the children was in the kitchen churning while the mother was working in another room. She went to the kitchen when the churning was finished and a minute or two later fell to the floor unconscious and died without regaining consciousness.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. S. E. Walker. Burial was in the Dudley cemetery.

AS THEY'D SAY IT TODAY

Samson: "I'm strong for you kid."

Jonah: "You can't keep a good man down."

David: "The bigger they are, the harder they fall."

Helen of Troy: "So this is Paris!"

Columbus: "I don't know where I'm going, but I'm on my way."

Nero: "Keep the home fires burning."

Solomon: "I love the ladies."

Methuselah: "The first hundred years are the hardest."

Queen Eizabeth to Sir Walter Raleigh: "Keep your shirt on."

3 KENTUCKY MEN CHAINED IN PUBLIC SUE FOR $75,000

PAINTSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21 – Three men who were chained to posts in public have filed suits asking for $5000 an hour apiece for the time they were punished The suits, for a total of $75,000 named Police Judge R. A. Patrick, Chief of Police Powell Williams and Town Marshal Jeff Allen, as defendants.

James Price, Oscar Pelphrey and William Dills, plaintiffs, were chained when they refused to work. They are still in jail.

The petitions allege the three were "unlawfully an inhumanly" put in chains, irons and handcuffs, were led through the streets and chained to posts; that they suffered great mental anguish and pain from inclement weather and cold. The incident occurred December 5.



WE WISH YOU ALL
A MERRY XMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
Taylors Grocery
Miner Switch



Let Us Lay Aside All Care and Worry

MERRY CHRISTMAS

There've been quite a few ups and downs since this old world began to spin, and the human race has come through them all right side up and hitting on all six. There is no doubt that we shall do the same again and again as long as the wohle lasts. Therefore, let us this Christmas lay aside all care and worry, and to our lasting good both physically and moral, enter into the fullest enjoyment of the Happy Spirit of the season. The for us the New Year will be brighter.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Bartels Mercantile Company
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Can you defend your title to your home? Abstracts by Scott County Abstract Co. give ASSURANCE of a complete, clear title to real estate. Provides INSURANCE in specific amount against any challenge to your legal ownership.

Scott County Abstract Co.
BENTON, MISSOURI
HARRIS D. RODGERS, Mgr.
Farm Loans, Long Times, Low Interest Rate. Correspondence Invited

GREETINGS
OUR WISH FOR YOU:
A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND THE
HAPPIEST OF
NEW YEARS
ENERGY COAL Company
Phone 502

WE WISH OUR
FRIENDS
AND
CUSTOMERS
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

B-J TAVERN
4 Doors East of Marshall Hotel
BOB JOYNER
Prop.





Insurance Duke Says—

THE JOY WE FEEL

On Christmas Day is a great healer—may it bring you a New Year filled with health, happiness and prosperity

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co.
E. F. 'Duke' Weideman, Agent



LET THE HAPPINESS

You feel on this joyous Christmas Day be installed as a permanent fixture in your life

T. A. Slack Insurance Agency

Merry Christmas



Merchants and business men, those whom you have favored with your patronage, are eager at this time of the year to show their appreciation by extending their wishes that you enjoy the merriest holiday season you ever had. Fear that all of you might not be insulted in these good wishes if personal greetings were attempted caused the printing of this full page of greetings. We know you'll get them now—for all of you read this paper. Read them all—and may Christmas cheer fill your holidays with the greatest happiness.

These Merchants Join in Greeting You With the Heartiest and Most Sincere Expression of the Season's Cheer. Merry Christmas!





It Is Our Wish

That you will not overlook this greeting when the postman delivers all the others at your door. We extend our sincere hope that this Christmas will be the best you have ever had.

Electric Service Co.
Phone 45



To Our Friends

But what we really mean is that we're with you in your hope that this will be a very Merry Christmas.

TEXAS OIL CO.
F. W. Bonifield, Agt.



At Christmas

Picture little bundles, medium-sized bundles and big bundles, all jammed to overflowing and maybe you'l know just how much happiness we wish you during this merry Christmas season.

Sikeston Gin Co.



and the best of GOOD CHEER

This isn't as gaudy as some Christmas geetings you'll get, but when we say "The Merriest Xmas Ever" we're hoping mighty hard that that's the kind of Christmas you'll have.

HENNINGTON Paint & Trim Co.
Highway 61, Phone 217



TO ONE AND ALL At Christmas

Sidetracking the best of the season's good wishes right up to your front door. We bring you our sincere hope that good health will add most to you joy of living.

Faultless Cleaners
C. Tip Keller



AS LOUD AS WE CAN SAY IT

All the ducks and ducklings in the world can't make enough noise to drown out the hearty "Merry Christmas" that we wish for you.

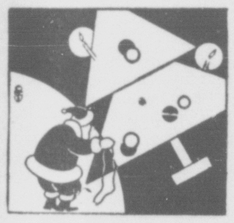
White's Drug Store



May Yours be a Merry Christmas

Our holiday greetings to you carry the best of cheer and good wishes for this happy season.

Ancells Phillips Service Sta.



Season's Cheer

We hope that your Christmas this year will be just like all the others . . . a little happier . . . a bit more friendly . . . and a longer time in being forgotten. gottea.

Dorrough Service Station
West Malone Ave.



by CANDLES at Xmas

Or Out in the brightest sunlight, we're glad of any opportunity to wish you the merriest of merry Christmases.

Dempsters Furniture and Undertaking Company



to you

And, like Santa's best reindeer looking over the fence, we'll get up just as high as we can to let you know that we wish you a 'Merry Christmas" too

E. P. Coleman Co.
Cotton



There's a Greeting for Everyone

You don't have to dig into a sack of mail to find our bit of Christmas greeting. Here it is, right here; and it's a very Merry Christmas to you all.

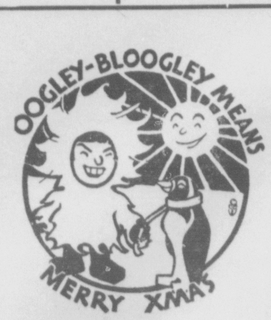
ENERGY OIL CORPORATION
W. H. Sikes, Manager



An 'ugh' and maybe a 'how' might have been the way old Chief Jumping Horse said that he'd like for you to have a nice holiday. But we'll be more to the point and asy

A Merry Christmas To You All

Air-Mist Auto Laundry



But If We Talked Like the Eskimo:

We'd come right out with "Oogley-Bloogley, Oogley - Bloogley", which, of course, means that we wish you the merriest of Mery Christmases.

Country Club Tourist Camp
LON NALL, Prop.



"A Merrier Christmas Than Ever Before"

Not that we think we can extend our season's greetings any better than the English, but maybe you'll understand just how much we want you to enjoy this happy time of year.

PAUL JONES GROCERY
DIAMOND TAVERN

MARIE PATTERSON WEDS POKTAGEVILLE MAN SUN.

Miss Marie Patterson of this city and John Fuller of Portageville were united in marriage at 11:30 o'clock Sunday morning, December 23, at the Catholic parish at Portageville with Father O'Flynn, pastor of the church officiating. Miss Thelma Lee of this city and groom, were attendants. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. C. Fuller, a brother of the B. Patterson, Miss Christine Cauthorne and Miss Wilma Johnson all of this city were also present to witness the ceremony.

A wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents here at 1:30 o'clock Sunday. Covers were laid for 12.

Mrs. Fuller, the charming young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Patterson, is well known here, having been educated in the Sikeston schools. At the time of her marriage she was employed at the Woolworth store here. Mr. Fuller, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fuller of Portageville, was graduated from the Portageville schools and since his graduation from college has been associated with his father in the lumber and construction business in Portageville, where, after two weeks, the young people will be at home to their many friends.

The Standard joins their many friends in wishing for them a long and happy married life.

Missouri Relief and Reconstruction Commission
Wallace Crossley, Administrator Jefferson City, Missouri

A total of $176,230.76 has been spent for unemployment relief in Scott County since the inception of federal relief in September, 1932.

Of this amount only $7,263.10 was from local public funds, according to figures furnished the state relief administration by local authorities.

While this expenditure from local funds compares favorably with that of counties similarly situated, it is far from being adequate in the opinion of the relief administration.

"Local self-government implies local self-support," said Wallace Crossley, state relief administrator, in commenting on the tendency of counties to relax their efforts to meet their share of the relief bill.

"The city or county which neglects to perform its duty to its own less fortunate citizens," Mr. Crossley continued, "is not only repudiating its moral obligations and its governmental responsibilities but is damaging its own character and is actually hindering national recovery."

Total relief expenditures in this county compare favorably with amounts spent in other Missouri counties where conditions are similar.

At the present time, approximately 2168 persons in Scott County are partially or wholly dependent on relief. This is 8.7 per cent of the county's population.

The present program, unlike the Civil Works Administration of last winter, is not an employment program. It is strictly a relief program to aid persons and families whom investigation shows are needy.

Civil Works primed the pumps of business, with more than $22,000,000 being spent in Missouri. Of this amount $89,317.65 was expended in this county.

Civil Works Service, employing thousands of women in Missouri, released $2,419.97 locally in pay rolls on women's projects.

When the CWA program was terminated March 31, a two months work relief program was inaugurated to complete projects and ease the situation brought about by the closing of CWA.

The work relief program, ending in June in all except the major urban areas of the state, was started up again in July because of the drought.

At the present time, 55 Missouri counties are receiving no federal or state funds for direct relief, it being the policy of these counties to take care of their own insofar as possible.

In mid-summer when drought first made serious inroads in this state, Mr. Crossley began thinking about easing the situation - knew was sure to develop unless rains occurred.

The rains did not come, and drought advanced. Special programs were started to prevent additional farm losses and to ease the suffering of humans and livestock.

Many farmers were unable to purchase seed for small acregaes of late forage crops; so the relief Administration stepped to their rescue. More than $800,000.00 worth of seed was distributed throughout the state, and 400,000 acres of winter pasturage developed.

The 35,000 Missouri farmers who participated in this program were allowed to work out the purchase price of the seed on approved relief projects.

Of the total relief expenditures in this county $48,223.45 went for direct relief and $18,584.96 was expended on work relief projects. In addition $1,207.30 was spent for materials used on work relief projects.

Included also under the item of work relief is the labor expenditures on many special programs such as fodder cutting and processing, relief canneries, community gardens, and mattress and furniture factories.

Under the garden and food conservation program 922 home gardens were planted in this county. The garden produce throughout the state averaged in value slightly more than $25.00 for each garden.

Besides the home gardens, 31 acres were planted in community gardens and 45,458 cans of vegetables and fruit were packed.

In the drought counties the relief administration cooperated with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in moving cattle from drought-stricken pastures. The Triple A spent approximately $6,474,000.00, of which about $1,287.12 went to farmers in this county.

Approximately 490,000 cattle were handled under this program in Missouri, of which 159,000 were slaughtered and canned in relief operated plants. These plants will close at the completion of the cattle program.

The commodity distribution in this county follows:

Salt pork 9,000 pounds; smoked pork 30,400 pounds; butter 4,260 pounds; eggs 1,890 dozen; apples 134 bushels; oranges 79 bags; blankets 168; cereals 2,088 packages; fresh beef 10,800 pounds; canned beef 7,032 cans; flour 67,031 pounds; lard 2,400 pounds.

In addition to the food stuffs distributed, fuel requirements are being furnished in Missouri counties. In many this means supplying coal. For the month of December, a total of 37,169 tons of coal estimated to cost $170,249.00 were allotted to counties. This county received an allotment of 112 tons.

Livestock rations will be available through local feed dealers this winter throughout the state as a result of the Relief Administration's corn-fodder program.

A total of 166,332 acres of corn fodder, estimated to yield 2078,79 tons of feed stuff, was purchased from farmers. One -fourth of this tonage is being milled and additional protein and carbohydrates will be added to make a feed of greater palatability and nutrition. Nearly 6,000 farmers participated in this program, receiving $613,314.00 for corn-fodder which otherwise would practically have been a dead loss.

In this county,, 5,020 acres of corn were purchased.

Many citizens of this county are taking advantage of the emergency education program, designated to give relief to unemployed teachers and at the same time offering educational opportunities to citizens. Including October disbursements, $15,773.18 has been spent in this county.

The relief program is complex. It is impossible to indicate in a resume such as this the diversified activities that heach into thousands of homes. Women's work, student aid, social service development, school luncheons, transient program, emergency health work—in addition to the larger programs, make relief administration a difficult task.

In commenting upon the relief program, Mr. Crossley stressed the importance of an awakening community consciousness as a factor to recovery.

"The communities and the state must do their share in making this program successful." he said "They must bear their part of the burden of caring for their own destitute unemployed. Thus far, while our state has done more than many others enacting legislation to create revenue for relief, the federal government has borne by far the major portion of relief costs. State and federal funds are granted as supplemental, not as substitutes for what the local subdivisions should provide.

"Local responsibility cannot be evaded. Local communities must recognize the problem of relief as their own."

The sales tax, enacted to bolster revenues so that relief funds might be available failed to provide the revenue sought. As a result, the state has made good little more than half of the relief appropriation of $4,000,000 for the current year's relief bill.



We Wish For Everybody A

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Filled With Health, Happiness and Prosperity

F. W. Woolworth Co.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking all our friends and neighbors for their kind assistance and sympathy during the illness and death of our dear wife, mother and daughter, Audrey Moore. Especially do we thank Rev. Herschel Yates for his comforting words, and all those who contributed the beautiful flowers.

L. F. Moore and Children.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jordan.

Five negroes driving a Ford going south at 1:30 Monday afternoon and a ford containing three negroes driving north had a collision near the Buchanan filling station o nSouth Kingshighway, wrecking both cars and killing Willie McGee of Charleston. The five negroes were from Blytheville, Ark., and none seriously injured. McGee was said to have been drinking. The uninjured ones was doing mighty little talking.

It is hardly necessary for the editor to extend greetings to The Standard readers and patrons for they must know that we feel most kindly toward them for past favors. Our bread and butter has depended on their patronage and we haven't missed a meal, so you see we would be very ungrateful if we did not wish them the best ever. May the New Year bring happiness and contentment to all is our heartfelt wish.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Arthur left Saturday afternoon for Chicago for a visit with Mrs. Virginia Arthur, and their granddaughter, Marylyn Arthur.

Those from out of town who came to attend the funeral services for Mrs. L. F. Moore were: M. B. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan and Ben Hyde, all of Paducah, Ky.

There will be no Christmas for passengers on the liner General Sherman, which sailed from Portland, Ore., for the Orient las week. The vessel will cross the international date line Christmas Eve. Then it will be December 26. A post-Christmas celebration is planned.

Strange things happened in a storm which swept over Italy last week. At Corbezzie a violent gale lifted a haystack 70 feet in the air On the west coast, millions of sardines fell from the clouds after a whirlwind, and fishermen had only to walk along the shore and fill their baskets. And from Dar Es Salaam, Africa, comes the report of a waterspout that drew a small airplane with its two occupants 10,000 feet upward at terrifying speed amid a shower of hailstones. A safe landing was made.

Ovide Joyal was summoned to a Montreal court because he had no license for his dog. When he appeared, he triumphantly flourished a new tag. The Recorder asked him why he didn't put it on the dog where it belonged. "I had to sell the dog to get the $2 for the license," replied Joyal. He was dismissed.

The following ad appeared in a Baltimore newspaper: "Will the guy who stole a green coupe with yellow wheles last Monday afternoon at the southeast corner of Charles and Read streets, please mail addressed Christmas cards he found in the automobile.

A bridle and mule together sold for $1 at an auction sale near Larkin, Ark. The buyer, Tom Kerr, took the bridle home and left the mule.

SURVEY SHOWS 1934 BEST YEAR SINCE 1931

WASHINGTON — Statisticians calculating the progress of business recovery find that in most aspects 1934 was the best year since 1931 and in some the best since 1930.

In the final month of the year industrial production seems in the aggregate to be close to where it was at this time last year. The year's totals in most lines, however, show substantial gains over 1933. That is due in part, of course to the extremely low levels to which business fell in the early months of 1933, coincident with the banking crisis.

Perhaps the most striking gains for 1934 have been made in sales of consumption goods and even in semiluxury products. This has been attributed in no small measure, business analysts say, to restoration of farm purchasing power as a result of higher prices and Government bonuses and benefits. This is illustrated in the progress made by the automobile industry, which appears to have sold the largest number of cars since 1930. A part of this improvement was due to increased exports.

Mrs. Kay S. Ex of Chicago will soon be the ex-Mrs. Ex. Seymour Ex, 23, told the Judge in asking for a divorce that his wife had developed temperament after their elopement last May. She broadcast their quarrels "over Station Kay S. Ex", said the beleagured husband and then threw him downstairs.

During the wedding of Miss Ellen Porter and Charles Gates in Chicago an undertaker wheeled a casket into the church for a funeral an hour ahead of time.



AT THE
YULETIDE
WE ARE REMINDED
of the kindness shown us back through the year and of the new friends and old friends. As we do this Christmas our hearts are filled with gratitude and we are made to believe that 1934 has been good to us. Thus feeling and in the great spirit that fills our hearts and minds at this season we extend

GREETINGS
and good wishes for Christmas and for 1935

Snyder's Grocery

Personal News of Sikeston

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pinkley of Desloge, who had visited here last week with Mrs. Pinkley's sister, Mrs. Louis Gnadt and family, went to Vanduser, Sunday afternoon to visit with Harry Lane and family. Mr. Lane is a brother of Mrs. Pinkley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Davey and daughter, Miss Ellen, went to Sullivan, Ky., Sunday, to visit with Mrs. Davey's Cousin, Mrs. Fannie Montgomery. They will return today (Tuesday.)

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tippy will entertain their children and families today (Tuesday) at their home northeast of Sikeston. Those to be present, are: Mr. and Mrs. Dave Klingle and children. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pratt and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tippy, Louis and Miss Ruth Tippy.

Mrs. J. R. Devinney returned to her home near Portageville, Sunday, having been called here by the death of her granddaughter, Mrs. Lloyd F. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams entertained the following at dinner, Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pinkley of Desloge, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gnadt and children of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Dal Harnes will entertain the following relatives today (Tuesday) Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Stevens and son of Cape Girardeau, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lockhart of New Madrid.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ausmus and son of Centralia, Mo., arrived Sunday night to spend until after Christmas here with Mrs. Ausmus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews and J. A. Weatherford went to St. Louis Sunday to visit with relatives until Thursday.

Mrs. Jesse Cramer of Osceola, Ark., came Sunday to visit with her mother, Mrs. Tom Meyer, until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams will entertain today (Tuesday) with a family dinner. Those to attend are: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams, and Miss Effie Wymer of Zalma, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. Leman Shell and son, Billie, and Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Shell of Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Harty and daughter, Eleanor, were in Memphis, Tenn., Sunday, to meet their son and brother, Harry Harty, Jr., who will spend the Christmas holidays here. Mr. Harty is attending the Virginia Military school at Lexington, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams, Bert and Gladys Moore and Owen and Appalone Taul of Canalou visited with Miss Maud Adams last Saturday.

Miss Grace Cline of St. Louis, came down Saturday to visit with her relatives. She will return to the city this evening (Tuesday).

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hitchcok and children will spend today at Pocahontas, Ark., with Mrs. Hitchcock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and Mrs. Fred Jones were in Vienna, Ill., ast Saturday, where they attended the funeral of George Huffman. Mr. Huffman was an uncle of Mrs. Scott and Fred and Miss Millie Jones of this city.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mayfield entertained at a 12 o'clock dinner, Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Murray Klein and children, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Klein and Miss Camille Klein.

Pat and Lawrence Adams and John Bailey went to Sedalia, Sunday, to visit with the former's relatives. They were expected to return here last night.

Carl Snyder, who is attending the Chillicothe Business College, Chillicothe, Mo., arrived last Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Snyder.

Mrs. E. H. Orear is confined to her home suffering with laryngitis. Mrs. Orear was reported to be some better yesterday (Monday).

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rankin went to Illmo, Sunday, where Mrs. Rankin remained to visit with her parents. Mr. Rankin will go to Illmo today and accompany his wife home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Johnson returned from St. Louis Sunday, where they had been visiting friends. Mrs. Johnson went to the city last Thursday, and Mr. Johnson joined his wife Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Myers and baby daughter, Margaret Ann, of Canalou were in town Saturday evening, shopping and also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wagner.

The T. A. Wilson family of Jefferson City will spend part of the week with relatives in Sikeston.

Joe Matthews left for St. Louis Sunday morning to visit his wife, who is a patient at Barnes oHspital. It is possible that Mrs. Matthews will be permitted to return to Sikeston for the holidays, then return to the hospital for further observation.

Mrs. Frances Steels, of New Madrid, was a business visitor in Sikeston Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Sikes will spend the day, Christmas, in Charleston with her daughter, Mrs. Lindsay Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Robbins of New Madrid were Sikeston visitors, Friday.

Mont Griffith, with the State Highway Department at Willow Springs is here for Santa Claus.

iss Lucille Stubblefield spent the week end in Dexter with her sister, Mrs. Leon Groves.

Mrs. M. G. Gresham and Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield visited in Portageville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Swanner will entertain their children, today, (Tuesday) at their home on Dorothy street, namely: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frissel of Cape Girardeau, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tongate and son, Ernest, Jr., of this city. Mrs. Ella Frissell, of the Cape, mother of Mr. Frissell, is also expected to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wedel spent the week end at Paducah, Ky., visiting with his mother, Mrs. Blanche Wedel.

LOST—Yellow and black indestructible fountain pen. Reward. Miss Rebecca Pierce, 1t-23 pd.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Mocabee will entertain the follwing relatives at dinner today (Tuesday) at their home on Gladys street: Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Pharris of Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. Sharron Pharris and son, Jimmie, W. M. Pate and Mrs. A. C. Johnson of Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Scott and Mrs. Jewell Gentle and daughter, Patsy Ruth, will spend today (Tuesday) at Portageville with their daughter and sister, Mrs. L. A. Harris and family.

Misses Bernice and Verna Landis of Cape Girardeau will spend today (Tuesday) here with their cousin, Mrs. A. H. Johnson and family.

Mrs. Betty Matthews and Mrs. Jane Mills will spend today at Poplar Bluff, with the former's daughter, Mrs. Jno. C. Corrigan, and family.

Mrs. D. E. Grojean and daughters, Misses Mary and Emma Lee, of Dexter came over Saturday to visit here until after Christmas with their daughter, and sister, Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and family.

Miss Margaret Harris, a teacher in the Schools at Dallas, Texas, arrived Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother and sisters, Mrs. Kate Harris and Misses Lydia and Audrey Chaney.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bailey and son, Kent, were in West Frankfort, Ill., Sunday, where they visited with the formers' father, J. L. Bailey. They also visited with Mrs. Bailey's Brother, Henry Williams, at Mt. Vernon, Ill., who is quite ill.

Miss Mildred Carter is confined to her home, suffering with neuritis.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Daugherty, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Inman, Mrs. C. L. Litzelfelner and children, Mary Frances and Don, and Miss Lucille Daugherty of Cape Girardeau came down last night (Monday) to spend until after Christmas here with their daughter and sister, Mrs. L. R. Burns, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Weeks of Dexter came over last night (Monday) to spend until after Christmas with Mrs. Week's aunt, Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and family.

We are glad to report that Dal Harnes is now able to be up, after a three weeks' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shankle and children and Mr. and Mrs. George Middleton and children will spend today (Tuesday) with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Middleton, near Dexter.

T. E. . CLASS TO HOLD WATCH PARTY

The T. E. L. Class, First Baptist church will be entertained by Mrs. Boyd Scillian and Mrs. Hester Carraway, on Monday night, December 31, at the former's home on Kathleen avenue. This will be a watch party, and all members of the class are invited to be present.

Sikeston Standard, $2.00 a year.

HAPPY THOUGHTS

May the sweetest memories of your happiest moments be with you during Christmas and may 1935 add many more to think about. This sincere wish we send to our patrons.

Sheppard's Cafe

Turkey and Fried Chicken Dinner Xmas Day

Announcement

I desire to announce that I have purchased Gloria's Cafe, and am now in complete charge. I will

SPECIALIZE IN BANQUETS AND SPECIAL PARTIES

Christmas Dinner Baked Turkey **50c**

We offer the best in meats and other foods and will render unsurpassed service.

Mrs. Freda Owens

Prop. Gloria Cafe



We'd like to plaster our greeting on every wall, to reach all our friends, for we're familiar with Christmas. We feel that we hava a lot in common; we've both changed, somewhat, but we've kept our old friends and old spirit. Furnaces have replaced Yule logs, electric lights the candles on trees, but the spirit of the occasion still makes Christmas the happiest holiday. To these friends, our customers old or new, we extend our greetings.

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Straight from the Heart and in a way we hope you'll understand that we mean it.

We wish you a Most Joyous Xmas and a Bright Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Kirby's Cafe

Holiday Greetings 1934-1935

To you and to your family it is my sincere wish that you may enjoy the pleasure of this holiday season.

As the New calendar of months and days spreads out before you, may you look forward to every day being busier and happier that the one preceding, that the New Year into which you will soon enter may prove brighter than the one left behind,

Is the wish of your Postmaster

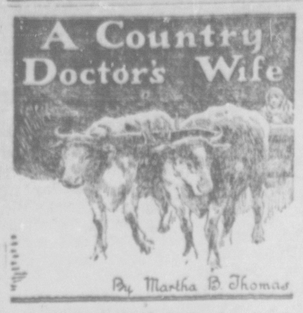
C. F. BRUTON.



A Sincere Wish

Our greeting is an old one, but Christmas is a time for old songs, old wishes, old friends. So again we say to our customers, "Happy Holiday." It's a sincere wish that this happiest holiday will be enjoyed by those who were our friends thirty years ago, and by those who have become our friends since that time.

J. A. Young
H. C. Young



CADDY lighted the fire in the fireplace. She switched on Christmas lights for the tree. She pulled down the shades, and pushed an easy chair towards the fire. Halsy would be home any time now, cold and weary from his round of calls on sick people. This was their first Christmas eve together since they had been married.

Halsy had started out on his rounds at noon. At three he had telephoned to ner to say that he was obliged to abandon his



car. The snow was too deep. He had borrowed a pair of snowshoes and a fur cap, and with bag in hand, was about to walk a road leading through the woods to a small shack where a sick woman lay waiting his ministrations. At Caddy's worried inquiries, he said it would take him a couple of hours.

Caddy gazed at the flames. This country practice covered miles and miles. Halsy was conscientious. He never failed to reach his patients somehow, but he was tired and worn out. And Caddy herself was often lonely. Her plans for fun, for little parties at home, usually ended in trying to get someone to fill Halsy's place. She knew it would be like this. Halsy had warned her. She was sensible and patient. Yet tonight . . . Christmas eve, and Halsy's birthday. She sighed . . . she simply couldn't bear to have anything go wrong.

The telephone rang. "That you, Caddy? I'm stuck again. The drifts are so deep I can't walk through. I'm out of the wood road all safe, and within two miles of that sick child. But none of the farmers near here has a team of horses. I really need oxen to pull me through. It's tough going."

"Oh," breathed Caddy, trying not to sound dismal.

"Caddy, I wonder," he hesitated. She could tell he was tired by the drag in his voice. "If you could possibly get Lem Sauter's team of oxen and drive here for me! I simply can't ask him to do it himself. He has his daughter home for the holidays and her family. It's Christmas."

Caddy could not speak. She knew what this meant. Hours of being out in the storm. Heaven alone knew when they would get home.

"Won't you, darling . . . to help me out?"

Then she remembered something her father had said to her on her wedding day:

"You will never be allowed to forget you are the wife of a country doctor. But I think he's worth it . . . if you are!"

So now over the telephone she said, "All right. Stay where you are. Get warm and rested, and I'll be there by Shanghai Express!"

The tedious drive behind the oxen seemed endless. The snow sifted down inside her collar. It blinded her. She was not actually suffering, but she was pretty uncomfortable. On . . . and on . . . and on. The whirling curtain swept before her. The snow drifted across the broad back of the patient beasts. They took their own



way in their own plodding time.

On and on . . . and on. Creak . . . creak . . . the swaying of the beasts was like some grotesque nightmarish rhythm. She almost fell asleep.

Then out of the whiteness ahead she heard a shout. "Hey . . . bless your heart, darling!" And Halsy jumped aboard.

The child was very sick. The throat had to be lanced. Caddy forgot her injured feelings. She helped capably. The mother, worn and harassed, thanked both with tears in her eyes. And together they drank coffee beside a humble kitchen stove, and ate huge slices of thick, buttered bread. Not what Caddy had planned for Christmas eve, yet, curiously enough, it seemed better than the other. It had . . . she tried to think it out—more strength and sinew in it.

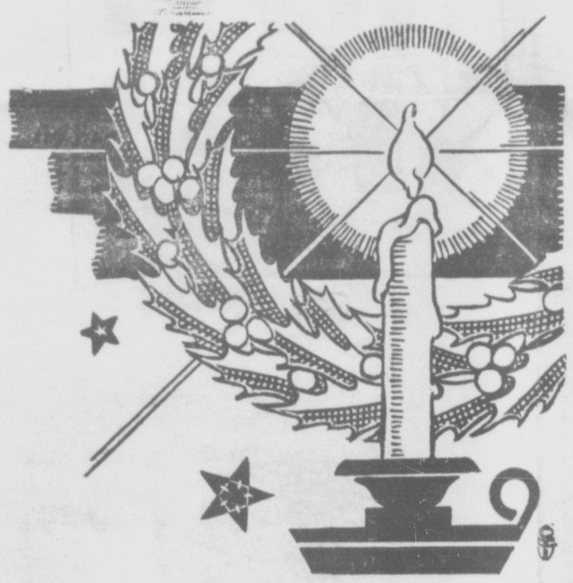
She smiled at Halsy. "This is positively the best Christmas eve I ever spent in my life!" she whispered.

Behind a large buttered slice of bread he kissed her. "You are the perfect pattern of a country doctor's wife!" he whispered back.

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UNUSUAL FACTS REVEALED—by "Movie Spotlight"





May the day bring to you and yours the peace and contentment of a good old fashioned Christmas and may this same star of peace and contentment continue to shine for you throughout many, many days and many another joyous Christmas. Thus we express OUR wish for YOU on this Christmas Day.

THE MALONE THEATRE

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen

T. D. (Pete) Medley, Manager

BROOKS ENDORSED FOR POST IN CARUTHERSVILLE

Bailey F. Brooks, well known Caruthersville young man, was endorsed by the Pemiscot County Central Democratic Committee for the Postmastership of Caruthersville at a committee meeting held at the county courthouse Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The commission of Paul L. Horner expires this month and the meeting was for the purpose of endorsing one of eleven applicants for the position. Since the township committee members could not agree on the endorsement of anyone it was taken before the county committee, resulting as above stated in the selection of Mr. Brooks.—Caruthersville Republican.

RETAIL SALES RISE 11 PER CENT FOR NOV.

WASHINGTON — Retail sales improved 11 percent in November as compared with the same month in 1933, according to announcement by the Federal Reserve Board, following a compilation of reports from 513 department stores in 247 cities throughout the country. The gain for the first 11 months of the year was reported as 13 per cent.

MALONE THEATRE

Sunday and Monday

December 30 and 31

Afternoon and Evening

ANOTHER "LITTLE WOMEN"

"Anne of Green Gables"

With

ANNE SHIRLEY at "ANNE"

Tom Brown, O. P. Heggie, Helen Westley

L. M. Montgomery's best selling novel for over a quarter of a century.

Also

PARAMOUNT SOUND NEWS

And

MORTON DOWNEY

"OFF THE BEAT"

MALONE THEATRE

Saturday Only

December 29

Continuous Show 1:30 to 11 p. m.



Little Man — You've Had a Busy Day!

A nose-gay to you, Mr. Fields, for another swell comedy!

Adolph Zukor presents

W. C. Fields in "IT'S A GIFT"

Baby LeRoy

A Paramount Picture

Directed by Norman McLeod

Also

BETTY BOOP CARTOON

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TAILSPIN TOMMY

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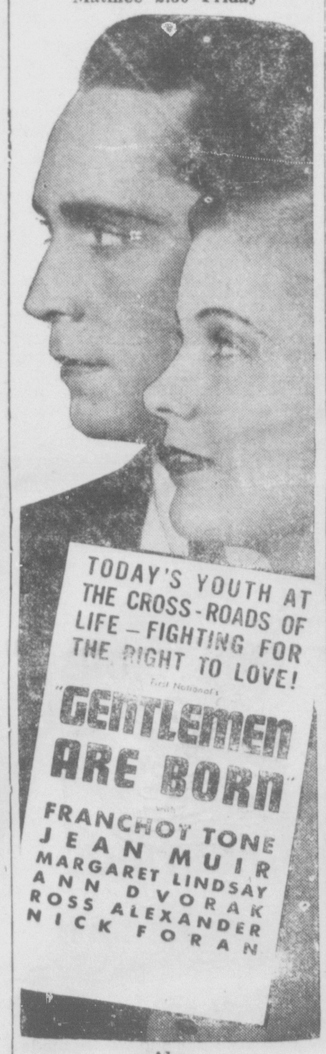
"THE EARTH GODS ROAR"

MALONE THEATRE

Thursday and Friday

December 27 and 28

Matinee 2:30 Friday



Also

PARAMOUNT SOUND NEWS

And

Frolics of Youth Comedy

"THE CAMPUS HOOFER"

MALONE THEATRE

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 AND 2

Continuous Show Tuesday 2:30 to 11 p. m.

Matinee Wednesday 2:30

The Screen's great comedian says:

"UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST INTELLIGENT MUSICAL PICTURE THAT HAS COME OUT OF HOLLYWOOD! GRACE MOORE IS, WITHOUT QUESTION, DESTINED TO BECOME EHE WORLD'S GREATEST MUSICAL STAR!"

—Eddie Cantor



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"PARROTVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT"

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